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## British Attack In Libya

Italians Surrender At Obbia

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (UP).—Military circles to-day report that the British in Libya have successfully attacked the rear of an enemy position in the Capuzzo area where enemy vehicles were shelled. The Italians surrendered at Obbia, 320 miles up the coast from Tobruk. British patrols, flying over the region of Garda, 300 miles north of Obbia, saw white flags displayed everywhere.

Observers warned that the German push in Libya is not yet exhausted or finished, and while emphasising that there were communication difficulties, they suggested that the Germans have overcome them.

### Situation In Abyssinia

They added, "Italian forces are now gradually concentrating in three Abyssinian areas, Dessie, Gondar and Kenna. It is roughly estimated that there are 10,000 Italian troops and 12,000 native troops in the Dessie district; 8,000 Italian and 9,000 natives in the Gondar region; and 22,000 Italians and 15,000 natives in the Kenna region."

Enemy pressure is increasing in Greece with the fierce German attacks, but there are no grounds for the statement issued from Ankara that the Germans had broken through. Reports that the British were evacuating Greece were also ridiculed. There is no confirmation that the Yugo-Slavs have captured Durazzo and re-captured Skopje.

### Libyan Campaign Halted

CAIRO, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—The Libyan situation has been stationary for the last four days, according to well-informed circles here.

While patrol activity continues in the Sollum area on the Egyptian border there has been occasional hard fighting. Enemy losses run into hundreds, it is stated.

There is no indication that the Nazis have increased the strength of their forward units.

### Important Developments

MOSCOW, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Colonel Popoff, the Soviet military expert, reviewing the situation in north Africa in the newspaper, "Red Star" expects "rather important" developments in the next few days.

He cites a "considerable increase" in the activity of the R.A.F. in North Africa as an indication of coming events. "The British Command is doubtless preparing a counter-blow. Where the blow will come it is difficult to say. It may be from the Tobruk region, the Siva Oasis or Mersa Matruh."

### EIREAN BASES

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, indicated to-day that the United States Government had no intention of asking Eire to grant naval bases to Britain.

He said that contrary to the various rumours, there had been no discussion, much less negotiation, on the question with Eire officials here.

### In Pursuit Of Enemy In Abyssinian Hills

ADDIS ABABA, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—General Pesanti, the Italian Divisional Commander, whose capture is announced to-day, was overtaken by the Imperial forces when he was plodding along on a mule between a remote village and Addis Ababa.

He is now occupying the bedroom of General Santini who has been removed to an unknown destination.

Another prisoner is Colonel Rolle, leader of the notorious Bandu (native levies) group. He, with a staff of 11 officers and 700 Bandu were captured near the Awash river by two South African subalterns (one the grandson of General Botha) and 17 men.

Two enemy bodies 800 strong approaching to surrender from opposite directions opened fire on each other. Six were killed before the South African Regiment intervened and took them prisoners.

The British columns are now at the heels of the retreating Italians in three main sectors, namely the

## ITALIAN CONVOY WIPED OUT IN MEDITERRANEAN EIGHT VESSELS SUNK

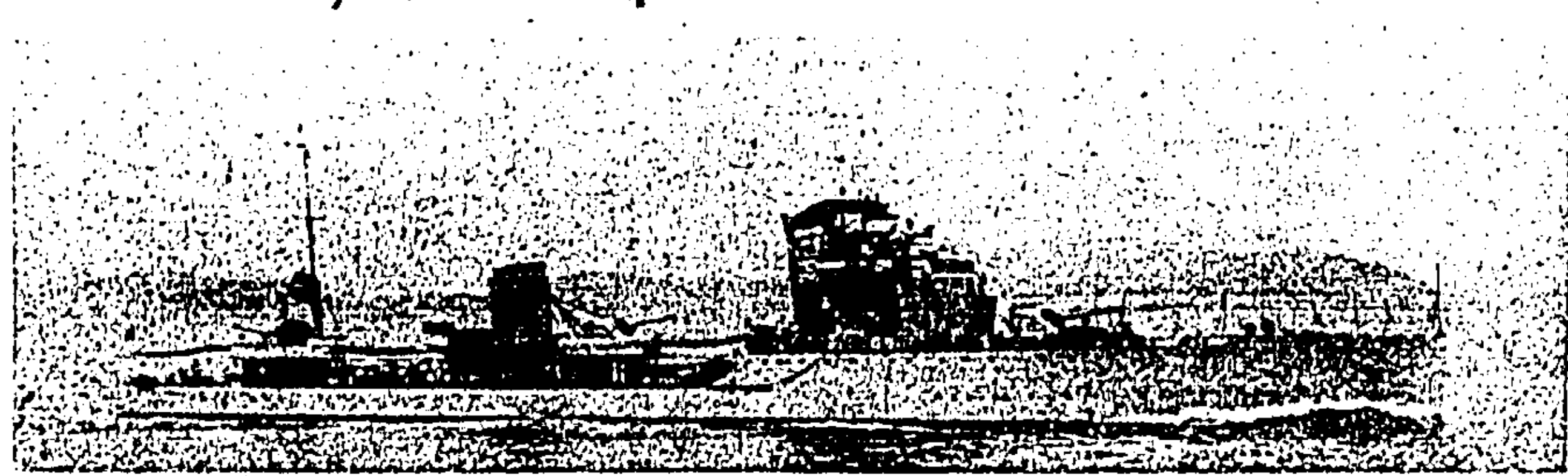
Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, APR. 16 (UP).—IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED BY THE ADMIRALTY THAT FIVE ITALIAN SUPPLY SHIPS AND THREE DESTROYERS HAVE BEEN SUNK BETWEEN SICILY AND TRIPOLI.

THE ANNOUNCEMENT STATED THAT A SOUTHBOUND ENEMY CONVOY CONSISTING OF FIVE SHIPS, ESCORTED BY THREE DESTROYERS WAS INTERCEPTED AND ANNIHILATED BETWEEN SICILY AND TRIPOLI LAST NIGHT.

H.M.S. Mohawk was torpedoed and sunk, but the majority of the crew were rescued.

The enemy's sunken ships were:



The Italian destroyer, Luca Tarigo.

Two 5,000-ton ships heavily laden with motor transport

Two 3,000-ton vessels, probably transports

One 4,000-ton ammunition ship which blew up with a terrific explosion

The Italian destroyer Luca Tarigo of 1,628 tons and two smaller Italian destroyers, the names of which are as yet unknown.

## Ceaseless Activity By Royal Air Force

Special to the "Telegraph"

CAIRO, Apr. 16 (UP).—To-day's communique states that constant air activity over Cireneja yesterday resulted in damage and confusion to enemy transport concentrations in the El Adem, Tobruk and Bardia areas, while four Junkers 52s were destroyed at Capuzzo. The aerodromes at Darna, Monastir and El Adem were raided on Monday night where buildings and two planes were destroyed.

The Fleet Air Arm raided Valona harbour Monday night destroying two transport ships.

The communique continued: "In Cireneja, considerable damage and confusion was caused to enemy troops and motor transport concentrations at El Adem, Tobruk and Bardia yesterday by constant air action on the part of the R.A.F. and the Australian Air Force."

"The enemy was given very little respite by our bombers which raided throughout the day, while fighter planes, which were patrolling, took every opportunity to carry out machine gun attacks."

Ships were destroyed at Valona and included a merchant ship of 6,000 tons and an ammunition ship of 7,000 tons.

Last Monday night, bombers raided Velez, hitting a bridge over Vardar River and cutting enemy communications.

Enemy dive bombing attacks on Pireaus harbour yesterday resulted in slight damage to R.A.F. property. British fighters shot down five Junkers 88s and others were severely damaged.

The enemy raided the aerodromes at Jannina resulting in some damage. The enemy also raided Malta on Monday night, but the only damage was at the Micala Hotel where one person was killed and nine injured.

Two British bombers are missing from the above operations.

Shanghai Banks Close Doors

SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Reuters).—Four Chinese government banks suspended business here this morning. An official of one of the banks told "Reuters": "We do not know whether the government banks will reopen for business in the near future."

The Shanghai dollar rate this morning dropped to 2.5/16.

In addition to this operation, the Admiralty announces that enemy operations on the Libyan coast are being constantly and successfully harassed with bombardments from our ships.

Enemy positions and transport columns on the escarpment road west of Sollum was bombarded with particularly satisfactory result.

The El Gazala aerodrome west of Tobruk was heavily bombarded from the sea and at least five enemy aircraft destroyed on the ground.

## BELGO-SOVIET BARTER PACT Blockade Result

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Agreement whereby Russia will supply Belgium in the next twelve months with very substantial quantities of wheat and fats has been reached in Moscow to-day, "Reuters" learns in London.

This agreement was presumably reached with German approval and will go far towards meeting the food shortage in Belgium, which is suffering more than any other western country.

The Russo-Belgian agreement is held in British authoritative circles as justifying the official view that the blockade must be applied to enemy occupied countries, firstly because the responsibility of feeding them is Germany's, and secondly because British firmness has evidently resulted in the Russo-Belgian agreement which deprives Germany of supplies which she would otherwise have had.

It is understood that Belgium in return will supply Russia with engineering products.

Food For France

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Two French ships provided with British navicerts are leaving New York to-morrow for Marseilles with 15,500 tons of United States flour for unoccupied France.

## Great Battle Of Macedonia In Full Swing: Nazis Suffer Heavily

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—The battle in western Macedonia which began the day before yesterday is now in full progress, says the Athens radio to-night. The announcer adds that the Greek army has inflicted serious losses on the Germans.

After their slight push westwards on Monday, the Germans attempted to make further progress yesterday and brought very considerable forces into play, supported by German air craft.

The announcer quoted the Greek Press and a Ministry bulletin which said, "All the ordered movements of our forces in taking up their new positions were effected without loss. The British Imperial forces co-operating with the Greek army succeeded in repulsing German mechanised columns at many points, and inflicted considerable damage on the enemy. Despite their tremendous efforts, the Germans have not yet been able at any point to pierce the new Greek line of resistance."

### Good Grounds For Hope

"While the situation on the northern Greek front is still serious, there are good grounds for hope. On the Albanian front the Greeks have repulsed local Italian attacks and have inflicted heavy losses on the enemy."

"The R.A.F. again distinguished themselves by playing havoc with German columns on the march, and heavily attacked German supply bases."

### Break Through Doubt

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—There is no confirmation from the Greek or British Commands in Greece of the rumour derived from German sources that the Allied line has been broken in the Mount Olympus region and that the plain of Larissa in consequence has been left open to the German advance.

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## LATEST

### Blitz Over Britain

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Air raid alarms sounded at an early hour in London to-night, and introduced what shortly afterwards appeared to be one of the biggest raids on the British metropolis for some time.

Enemy planes began to drone their way over London in waves immediately after the sirens had died away.

A. A. guns hurled shells into the air over a wide area with the heaviest jacket of the year. Over one of the outer districts, a large number of flares lit up the streets and many planes were heard flying much lower than in previous raids.

A German bomber was blown out of the sky within a few minutes of the alert when flying at about 5,000 feet.

High explosive bombs fell in one London district soon after.

R.A.F. fighters soared to attack the Luftwaffe and machine-gun fire was heard as the enemy was engaged.

### Heavy Results Feared

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Apr. 16 (UP).—Several northeast English coast towns were heavily attacked last night by waves of German bombers. It is feared that many casualties were caused during the sudden and brief blitz raids and there was considerable property damage.

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She had been a little worried when for a week she heard no news from King Peter, but after Belgrade had been bombed she heard he was well and safe.

Other bombs damaged industrial and commercial premises.

In other areas of northern Ireland the intensity of the attacks was not so severe.

## GERMANS LOSING STUKAS

R.A.F. Successes In Greece

"REUTERS" CORRESPONDENT IN GREECE

ATHENS, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—British pilots are fighting here with fearless ferocity against Goering's Luftwaffe. In the short time since the Germans started their latest aggression in the Balkans, one R.A.F. squadron alone has brought down 100 German planes. One young British pilot has bagged five German aircraft in the last three days.

The salient fact in the present air war over Greece is that the Germans are employing large fleets of dive bombers in attacks on Imperial troops and harbours, but many of the bombs are falling harmlessly on mountain sides or in the sea, for no aircraft can possibly concentrate on bomb aiming when speedy British Hawker-Hurricane fighters are on its tail.

The result of all these air battle has been a considerable depletion of German dive bombers.

## Queen Marie Speaks For Country

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—

"Have faith in Yugo-Slavia and in my son and all will be well in the end," said Queen Marie of Yugo-Slavia to "Reuters" when interviewed to-day in her 13th century cottage.

The Queen declared that King Peter took the decision to fight rather than surrender without consulting her, but his decision was not unexpected to her seeing that he always placed his country's interests before everything.

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## Belfast Pounded In Luftwaffe Attack

Special to the "Telegraph"

BELFAST, Apr. 16 (UP).—The Ministry of Public Security and the R.A.F. headquarters issued a joint communique to-day stating, "Belfast bore the brunt of an indiscriminate enemy air attack which was carried out against northern Ireland overnight."

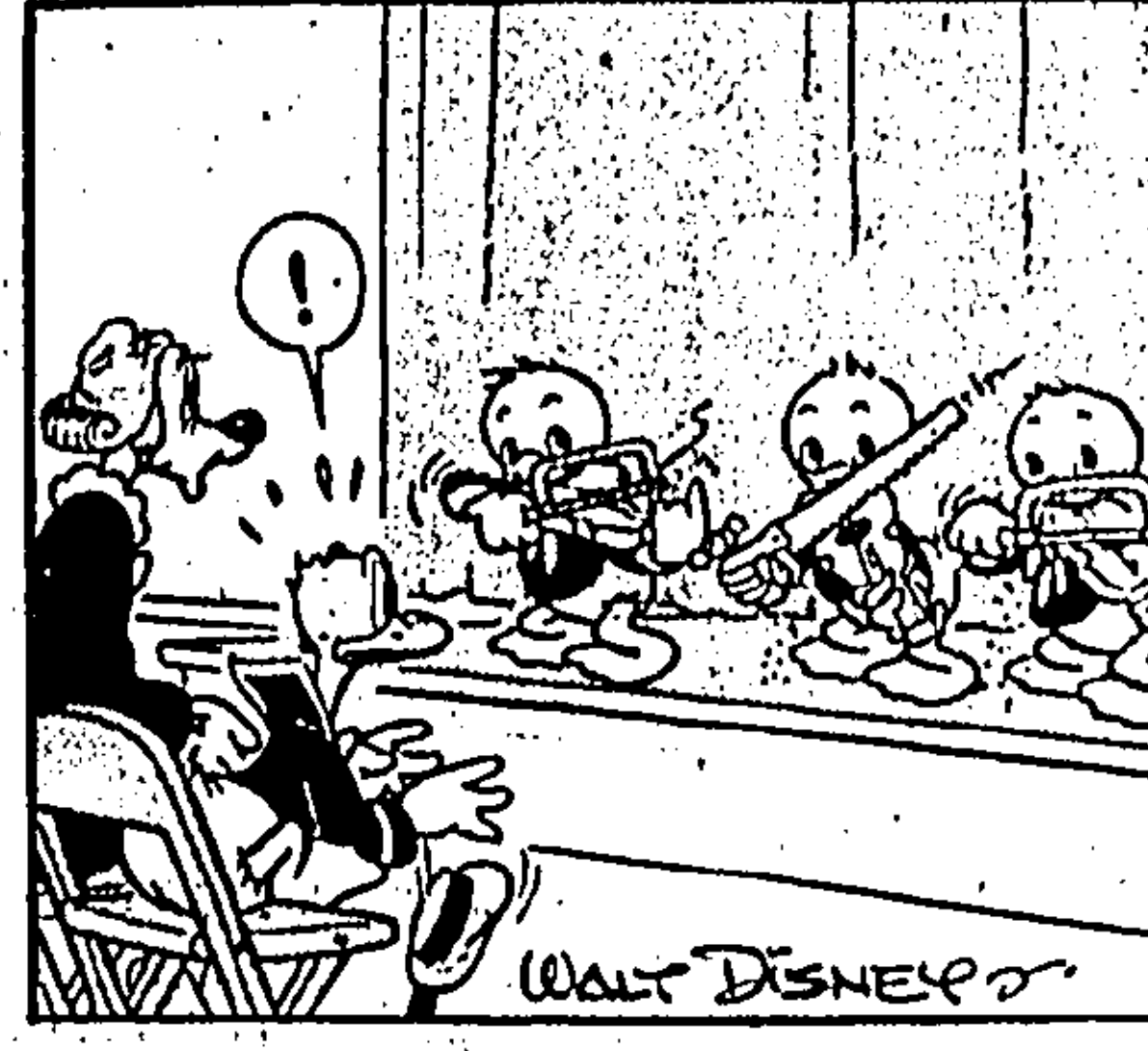
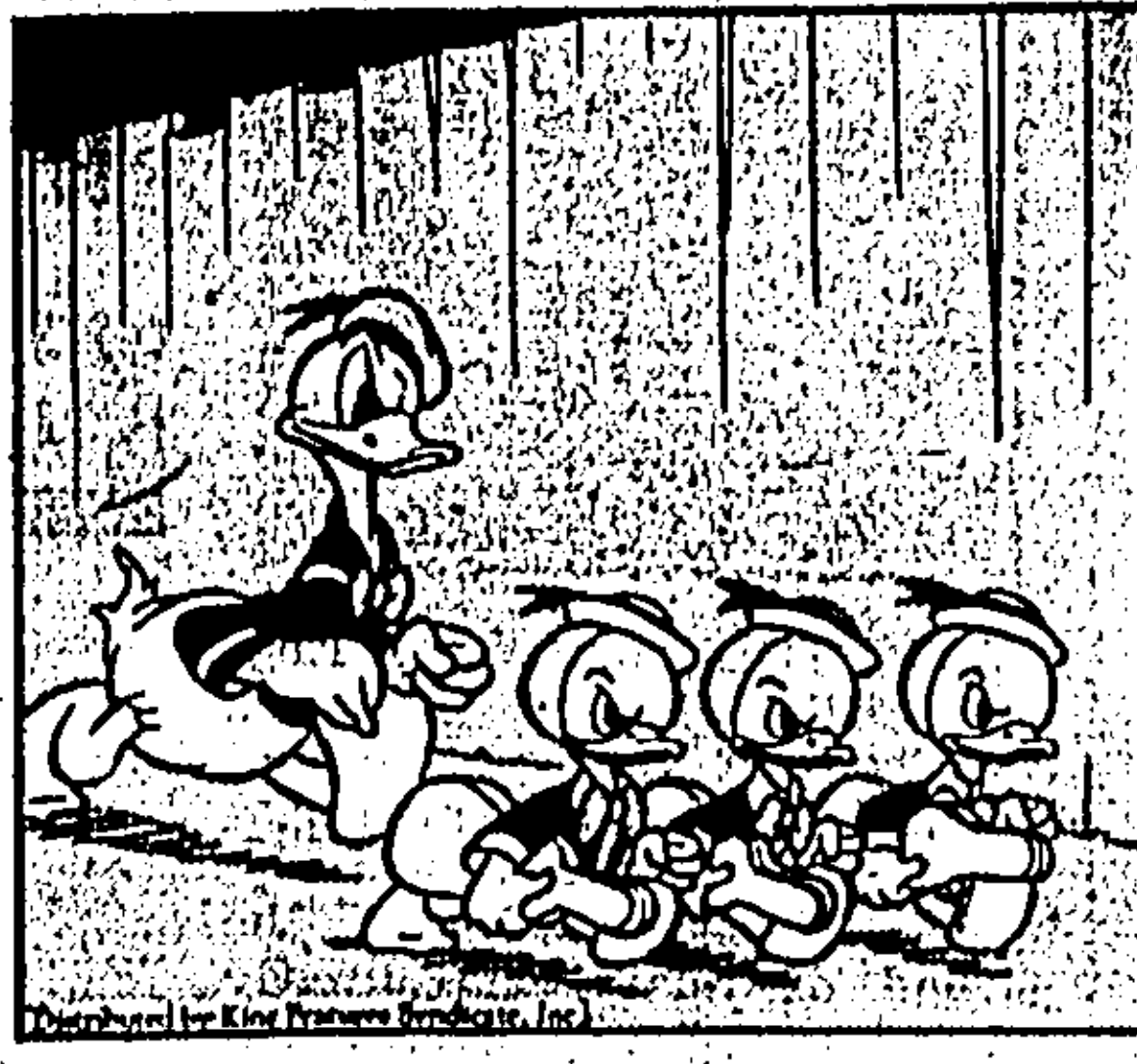
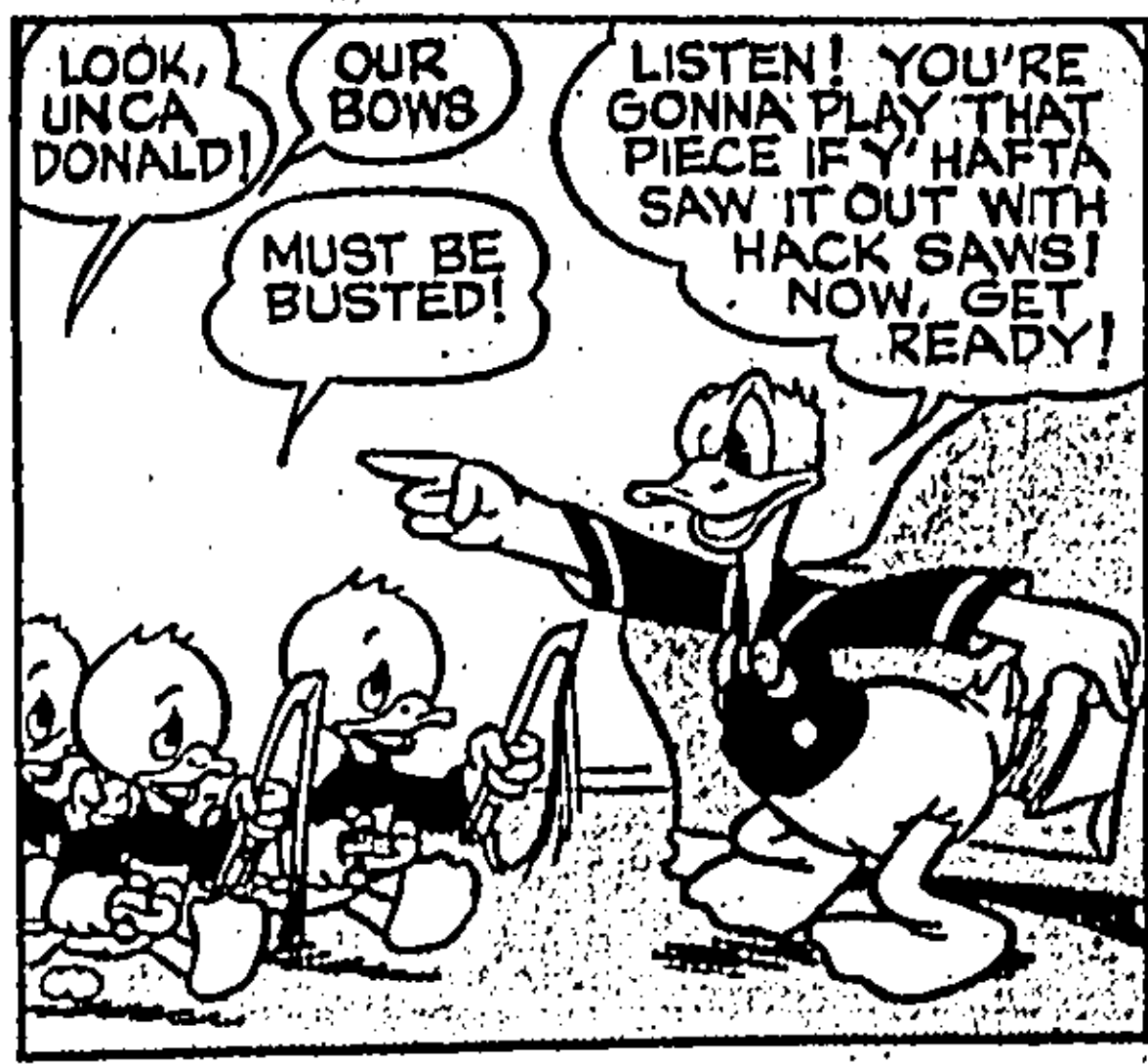
Shortly after the alarm sounded, high explosives and incendiary bombs were dropped at random over the city.







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# HOW THE LEND AND LEASE BILL WILL WORK

## From the United Press

Here is an analysis of salient features of the British Aid Bill which recently became a law:

1. The President of the United States may lend, lease or give away defence articles—ranging from warships and planes to cartridges and wheat—to any country whose defence he deems vital to the defence of the United States.

2. The terms for repayment of such aid will be set by the President in each case. He may arrange for the goods to be paid back; or agree to take other types of goods in exchange; or he may give the material away for "indirect benefit" to the United States.

3. The immediate direct dollar cost of defence articles transferred abroad will be borne by American taxpayers. The President will seek cash and contractual authority from Congress to purchase the articles.

4. From army and navy equipment now on hand or on order, the President may send up to \$1,300,000,000 worth abroad. He must seek specific authority from Congress to transfer more than that amount from army and navy stocks appropriated for or authorised in the future.

## CONVOYS

5. The President receives no specific authority under the bill to use American ships to convoy defence supplies to Britain. On the other hand, the bill does not curtail any powers which he may now have to order such convoys.

6. The President must report to Congress every three months on the transactions which he enters into under the bill. But he may withhold until a later time the disclosure of transactions which he does not consider in the public interest to reveal at the moment.

7. The President's powers under the bill extend through June 30, 1943, unless ended earlier by a simple majority vote of Congress. Contracts which he enters into under the bill must be completed by July 1, 1946.

8. Under the bill, the President or his defence advisers may also give certain secret military information to nations whose defence is deemed vital to the United States. Such information might include the plans or designs of the zealously-guarded bomb sight, for instance.

## CLARIFICATION

Here are some questions and answers designed to clarify operation of the lend-lease programme:

Q. What is the purpose of the programme?

A. To make the United States the arsenal and larder of the world's democracies; to speed weapons and other war materials to Britain and other nations battling the Axis Powers.

Q. When is the programme effective?

A. The programme went into effect when President Roosevelt signed the Lend-Lease Bill on March 11, 1941.

Q. What steps can the President take immediately to help the anti-Axis nations?

A. The President is empowered to release at once up to \$1,300,000,000 worth of army and navy equipment.

Q. Has the President extended any immediate aid?

A. He has approved an army-navy list of equipment which is to be sent to Britain and Greece, some of it in a few days and the rest over a period of weeks and months.

Q. What type and how much equipment is involved?

A. The President said the first list of equipment was not very large and that the type must remain secret until their identity is no longer of military value. Other sources indicated it included a number of "flying fortress" bombers, naval patrol bombers, light tanks, machine guns and mosquito boats.

## TOTAL AID

Q. Is the total amount of aid limited to \$1,300,000,000?

A. No. That limit applies only to release of U.S. equipment now on hand or on order.

Q. How else may the President extend aid?

A. By requesting Congress to appropriate specific sums to be used to buy things for the democracies. He is now asking Congress to appropriate \$7,000,000,000, of which \$1,300,000,000 will be earmarked to replace equipment taken from existing army-navy stores.

Q. Will the President ask for more than \$7,000,000,000 to aid the democracies?

A. Supplementary requests may be sent to Congress from time to time. The \$7,000,000,000 is expected to be the major item this year.

Q. To what specific nations may aid be sent?

A. To "any country whose defence the President deems vital to the defence of the United States."

Q. Is the aid limited to weapons, such as planes, warships, tanks and guns?

A. No. It may also include food, raw materials, cargo vessels and virtually any commodity useful in the creation or maintenance of a war machine. It may include any "defence information"—defined in the bill as "any plan, specification, design, prototype, or information pertaining to any defence article."

Q. Is the extension of aid limited to the lending and leasing of defence articles?

A. No. The President may give the material away if he wants to.

Q. What can the President accept from the democracies as repayment for aid rendered?

A. He could arrange to receive repayment in kind—a gun for a gun, or a ship for a ship—or in cash or other materials, such as rubber or tin, which the nation needs. He might also accept territorial concessions or "any other direct or indirect benefit."

Q. What happens to money received as payment or repayment?

A. It may be used during the fiscal year in which it is received or the ensuing fiscal year for purchase of other materials to be sent to the democracies. If not used for this purpose, they go into the general treasury fund.

Q. How long will the programme remain in effect?

A. Through June 30, 1943, unless terminated by a simple majority vote of Congress before that time. Contracts entered into by the President under the programme must be completed by July 1, 1946.

Q. Does the act require the President to make any report on the progress of the programme?

A. Yes. He must submit to Congress, at least every 90 days, a report of "operations under this act except such information as he deems incompatible with the public interest to disclose."

## U.S. FORCES

Q. Does the bill give the President any specific authority for use of American land, sea or air forces abroad?

A. No. The bill merely provides that none of its provisions shall affect existing laws on such movements. The Selective Service Act and the National Guard Mobilisation Act prohibit the use of draftees or guardsmen outside the Western Hemisphere or U.S. possessions. There are no such restrictions on the use of the Navy or of the Regular Army.

Q. Are there any precedents for the use of Regular Army or Navy forces abroad without a declaration of war by Congress?

A. American history has many instances in which U.S. troops and ships engaged in minor conflicts, such as in Latin America and the Boxer Rebellion in China, without a declaration of war. But there were formal declarations before American participation in the Spanish-American and World Wars as well as the War of 1812 with Britain.

Q. Does the Lend-Lease Act permit the President to use American warships to convoy defence supplies to Britain or to any other nation?

A. It states that "nothing in this act shall be construed to authorise or permit the authorisation of conveying vessels by naval vessels of the United States." If the President decided that present law permits him to convoy supply vessels, the Lend-Lease Act would not prohibit such action.

Q. Are there any other laws banning the use of American warships abroad?

A. The Neutrality Act forbids entry of American vessels into combat zones defined by the President. Britain and Greece are in such zones, but China is not.

Q. What does the outfitting and repair clause of the Lend-Lease Act authorise?

A. It empowers the President to permit foreign warships to be repaired and fitted out with armaments in private or navy shipyards or outfitting U.S. bases equipped for such work. It also permits the repair, reconditioning or testing of any defence article possessed by a friendly nation.

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Part of ship's rigging
- Burial places
- Drop into small place
- Take skin off
- Turn away
- Combining form; oil
- Wandering urchin
- Man's name
- Avenue
- Narrator
- Those who repair holes in cloth
- Designations
- With maiden name of
- Marted with day of month
- Recipients of bequest
- Slender piece
- Armpit
- Air pump
- Motors airplanes
- Small bird
- Preceding
- Crow-like birds
- Measure
- Keeper
- Modified musically
- Terminus
- Savory
- Covered with turf
- Poisonous
- River of Amazon
- Common bird
- Recently deceased
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DOWN

- Box
- Diminish a little at a time
- Infant sea in Russian Turkistan
- Allows as deduction
- Narrow strips of fabric
- Outwardly manifest
- Became acquainted with
- Originated
- Unfamiliar persons
- Quitting interest
- Drug-producing plant
- Brick carriers
- Theodore
- Raises self on hind legs
- Shipping devices
- Postpone
- Doctrine
- Cognizant
- Level
- Devoured
- Best people
- Fully satisfied
- Defame
- Are animated
- Laborious student
- Sculptor
- Take ethereal
- Useful metal
- Wait for
- Rectangular piece
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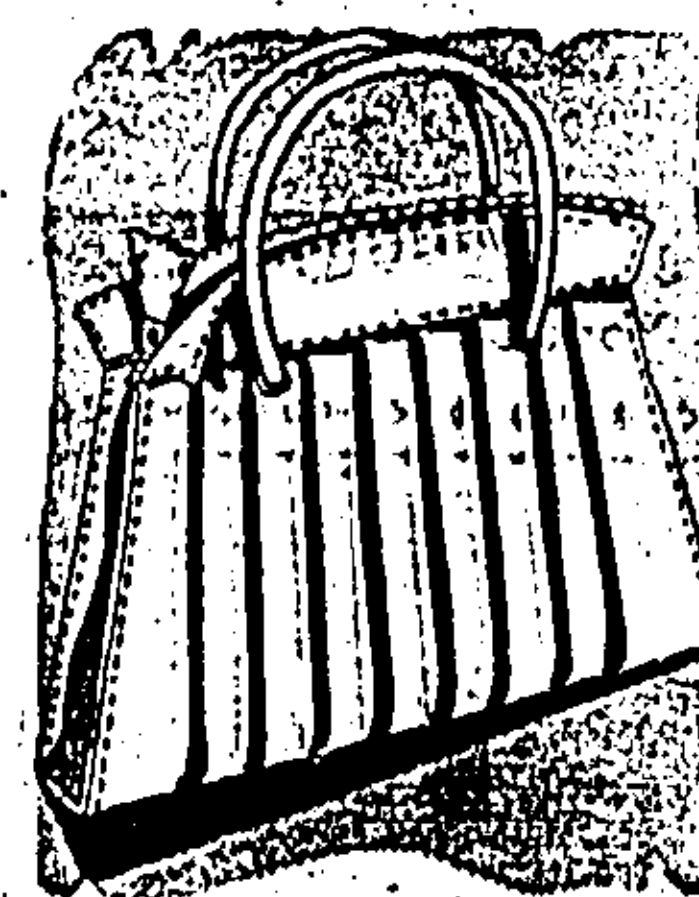
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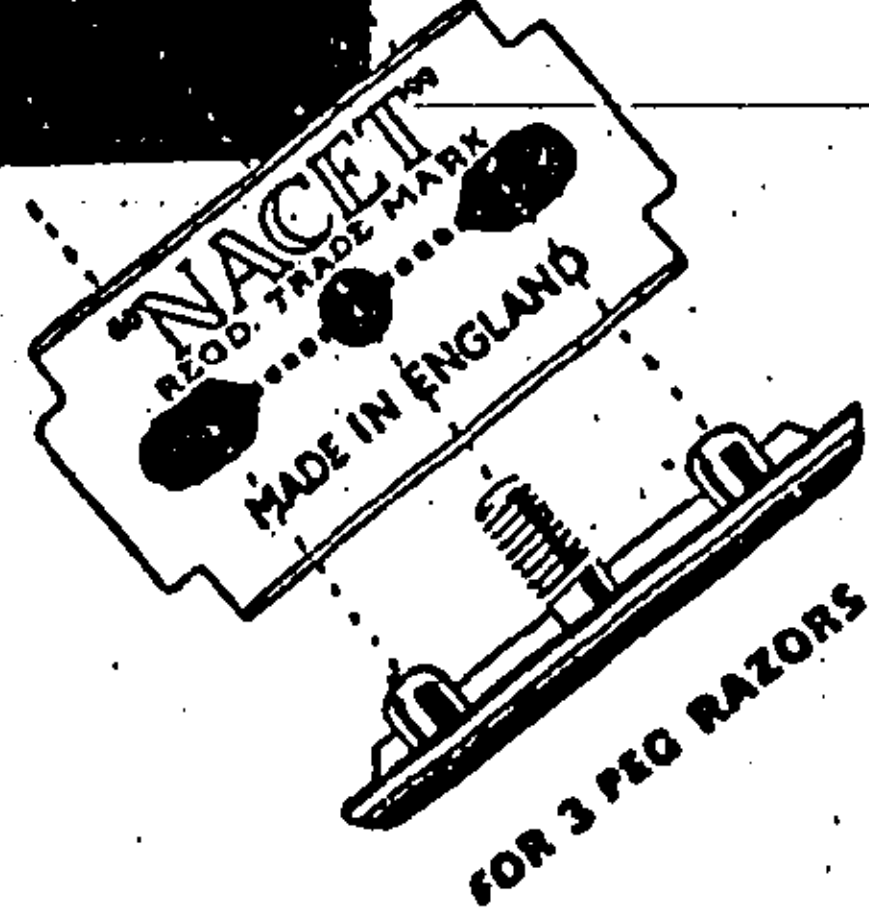
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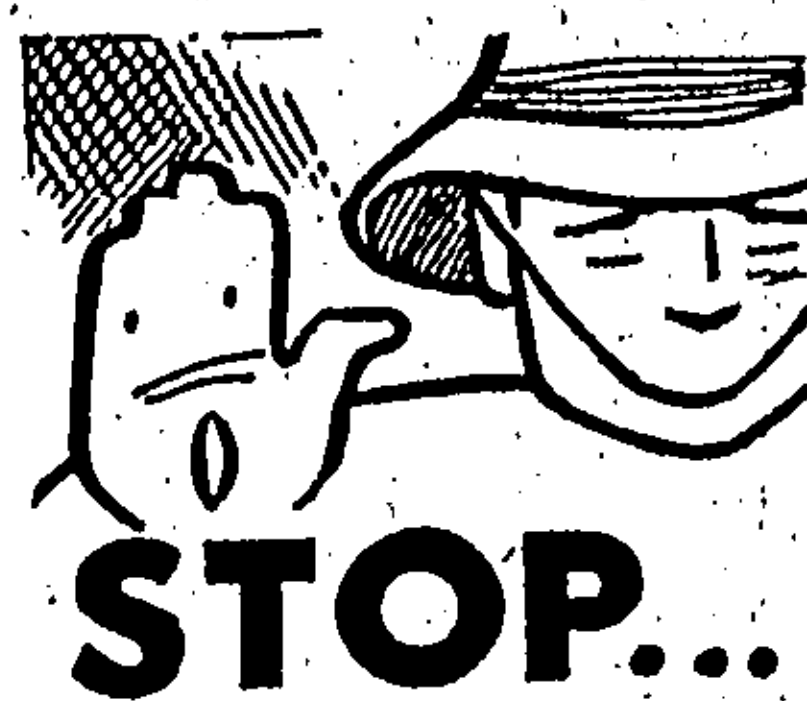
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**TUBERCULOSIS**

TUBERCULOSIS, the most widespread and insidious of the diseases to scourge the health of the Colony, continues to take alarming toll of the population, providing a problem which demands the fullest attention both on the part of the administration and the public.

Latest figures show that so far this year 2,912 T.B. cases have been notified to the health authorities—an average of 194 per week and nearly 28 per day. This, however, is only half the picture; it is safe to say that at least the same number remain unnotified and therefore escape the official records. It is this feature which prompts Scientific Research Committee of the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association, in the discerning and constructive report just issued, to observe: "Owing to the great prejudice against T.B., the Medical Department should be advised to instruct its Health Inspectors to be most tactful in dealing with notified cases, in order that others will not be encouraged to hide their disease and secretly spread infection."

The report contains a number of other highly important suggestions which call for the most sympathetic consideration of the authorities. Some provide for almost elementary precautions which, it is surprising, have not already been effected. For example, investigation of the condition of houses in the poorer areas and the thorough operation of the Government's rules on house ventilation. Why should it be necessary for an unofficial body to prompt the authorities in such an elementary and obvious matter?

Other recommendations must, of necessity, be carefully investigated before decisions are made, as they involve capital outlay and recurring expenditure; this consideration, though, does not deny their desirability. One is that open-air schools should be encouraged; another that there should be established well-equipped Chest Clinics in the Colony for the selection of cases to be sent to the institutions, these clinics to be provided, not only with X-ray equipment, but also an independent laboratory of their own; the committee further recommends the purchase of a radiograph unit for mass survey, and that as a minimum, a 150-bed hospital and a 300-bed sanatorium for the treatment and care of T.B. patients be provided in non-malarial districts, equipped with sanitary facilities.

All of these recommendations appear to be but normal requirements for a tuberculosis problem is to be tackled in any sort of sincere and business-like manner. Half measures can achieve nothing of value. The financial aspect must not be permitted to thwart the ultimate objective, which is to free Hongkong, as far as possible, from the scourge of this disease. It is urgent as both official statistics and the report of the Anti-T.B. Association demonstrate. Effective action by the authorities is required.

**HOW WILL HITLER FALL?**  
Fifth Article

"A PISTOL pointed at England's heart." It was Napoleon, of course, who said it, and he said it at Antwerp.

But more than two centuries before Napoleon, Philip the Second of Spain had already pointed the pistol, loaded and fired it.

It was from Antwerp that the Prince of Parma, Alexander Farnese, was to have embarked his army of foot and horse for the invasion of England in 1588—that great venture which the small vessels of the English Fleet nipped in the bud.

The Low Countries have always been closely linked with the fortunes of Britain.

The wars of religion, the sublime struggle of William of Orange against Spanish despotism, the ambitions of Louis the Fourteenth and of Napoleon, the Dutch and British naval rivalry in the reign of Charles II, the Belgian revolution which separated Flanders from Holland and broke up the United Netherlands, the rise of the Dutch and Belgian colonial empires, the war of 1914—all these tremendous events have had a direct effect on British policy.

**Faith Destroyed**

And now Hitler has thrown the Low Countries more profoundly than ever into our orbit. Our fate is joined to theirs.

The Dutch have been forced by Hitler's perfidy out of their long and honourable neutrality in the wars of Europe. The Belgians were neutral by dictate of the Great Powers, who guaranteed their independence in 1831.

Their neutrality, scrupulously respected by themselves, kept them at peace during the Franco-Russian war of 1870. In 1914 it was violated by Germany—a "Scrap of Paper."

After 1918 Belgium placed her faith jointly in the collective security promised by the League of Nations, and in the pledges made by France, Germany and Britain in the Pact of Locarno.

The rape of Abyssinia and the failure of sanctions destroyed her faith in collective security. The unopposed entry of German troops into the Rhineland in 1935 destroyed her faith in Locarno.

Thereafter Belgium fell back on the old policy of neutrality, and began to rearm.

We have seen the consequences. Cynically breaking his latest pledge to the Low Countries, Hitler invaded Holland and Belgium. The Belgian

fortifications were taken by surprise, or encircled, although one fort held out for many days.

**Judgment Later**

The Dutch were cut off by their own famous water defences. Queen Wilhelmina and her Government took refuge in England. After a brief but heroic resistance, the young Belgian King, Leopold III, surrendered with his army.

History has few examples of a more tortured conscience than that of this royal Hamlet. His surrender was bitterly attacked at the time, and by most of his ministers.

It drew from Paul Reynaud, then Premier of France, one of the most savage and contemptuous denunciations I have ever heard broadcast on the air from one national leader to another. It plunged the British and the French nation and the many millions of Belgian refugees into consternation.

Winston Churchill, almost among the Allied statesmen, showed understanding and clemency. "It is not the moment to judge," he said.

But the French Government and its Press seized eagerly upon the surrender as a justification and explanation of their own army's defeat.

**Grave Dilemma**

Actually, I am told, the position of the King was desperate. The Belgian Army could not have held out for more than three days. It was practically surrounded. It would have been forced to lay down its arms in the field, or be massacred to a man. The Belgian monarch can be criticised on two grounds:—

I.—He did not reveal his desperate plight, and intentions, in advance, to the Allied commanders, and delay his surrender at least for another day, to allow his Allies to extricate themselves from their own difficult situation.

II.—He acted, not as constitutional sovereign, but as commander-in-chief of the army. In the former role his duty was to follow the advice of his cabinet, and, if necessary, follow them to France or to Britain. But he preferred to act as the chief of the armed forces and to share the fate of his army.

It was a grave and terrible dilemma which confronted this young sovereign, the son of the noble Albert I, and himself endowed with many of his father's qualities.

If he chose one path or the other, he was certain to meet

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tem known as the Carol Line, reaching the Black Sea near the mouth of the Danube.

Thus, by now construction and adaptation Germany in the last year has created a great barrier all along her eastern frontiers which is calculated to make her invulnerable.

The last link to be forged in this chain is the southern section covering Rumania.

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## Hupei Mountain Warfare

FANCHENG, Apr. 16 (Central News).—Intense fighting is raging on the southern slope of the Tahung mountain range in central Hupei.

A Chinese regiment regained Ching Feng Shan, a strategic hill, on the morning of April 13. In the afternoon the Japanese called in more than 1,000 reinforcements and made a counter-attack with the support of bombing planes and artillery. A bloody engagement ensued.

At noon on April 14 a Japanese contingent of about 1,000 men invaded Kollenpo, Tungchiachung and Fenghuiling. Fighting raged until evening fell. After a brief lull, the Chinese launched a counter-attack under cover of darkness and repulsed the enemy from several points. The contending forces are still holding out against each other near Kollenpo.

Another Japanese unit of about 1,000 men pushing toward the southern slope of the Tahung mountain range is intercepted by the Chinese at Kuchengping and its neighbourhood.

## HUNGRY DOGS IN TOKYO

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOKYO, Apr. 16 (Domei).—Warning that cases of ferocious attacks upon children carrying candy and women with packages by stray dogs had increased alarmingly recently in Tokyo, the Police Department asked all citizens to co-operate in ridding the city of such canines.

Twenty cases of persons bitten by dogs were reported to the Police Department's veterinary section in a single day. With more than 10,000 stray and unlicensed canines in Tokyo, the local force of dog-catchers cannot cope with the situation adequately.

Although during the last four months, 6,782 dogs were picked up by Tokyo's three groups of dog catchers, the personnel of canine chasers is inadequate to nab the agile canines.

## Pact Imparts New War Zest To Japanese

SHANGHAI, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Japanese military and naval activities in South China have increased following the conclusion of the Soviet-Japanese neutrality pact, according to a report appearing in the local leading Chinese newspaper.

The report says that the whole of the Japanese forces in South China are now being reorganised for the possible southward penetration and that more than 20 Japanese submarines have appeared in South China waters and have extended activities to the Bay of Bengal.

It is further stated that Japanese troops in Hainan, an island of the coast of Indo-China, have been impressing able-bodied Chinese workers to form a South China Sea Transport Corps.

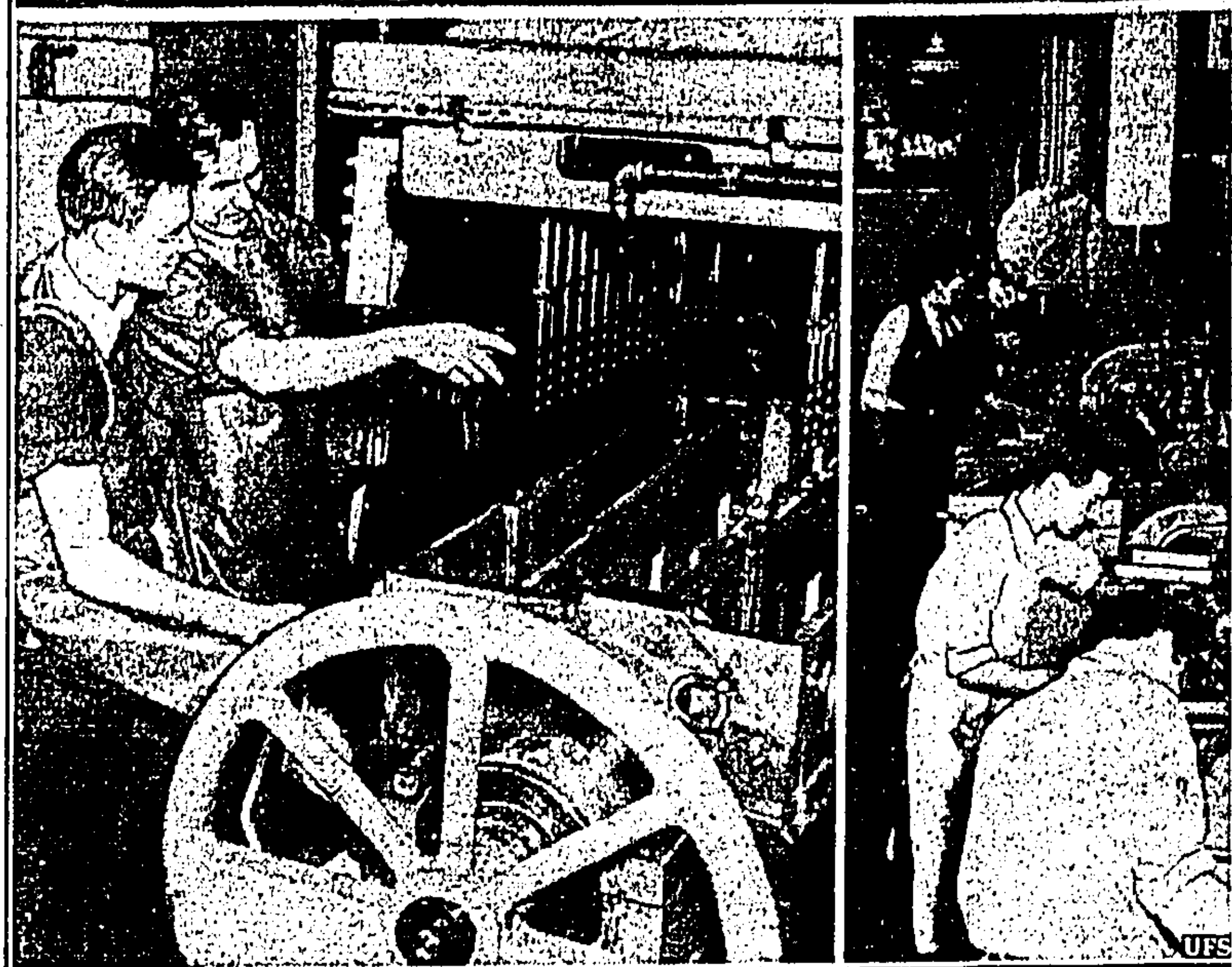
## Mackenzie King At White House

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, who is expected here to-day, has been invited to tea at the White House by President Roosevelt. Over tea, it is expected that the two statesmen will hold a highly important conference bearing upon war problems.



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A PRIVATE BATH IN EVERY ROOM



APPRENTICES FOR DEFENCE—Shortage of skilled labour in America has started General Motors on an emergency training programme. In which young men are being taught specific operations against the time when 60,000 skilled operators will be needed. The time will be about May 1, when the concern starts running in high on defence orders. Here are scenes from the unique programme:

Top, young trainees work on a lathe. H. J. Anderson operates cathode ray oscilloscope, in Saginaw, Mich., plant, left, Arthur Murphy, Indianapolis Tech graduate, learns to drill split line on aeroplane engine crankcase, at Allison division, near Indianapolis. Right, youngsters hard at it, in Flint, Mich., plant. Programme is carried on simultaneously in 40 of the plants.

## Petain Said Secretly Supporting de Gaulle

"Marshal Petain is a secret supporter of Gen. de Gaulle, leader of the Free French," said Alfred Neumann, a German novelist on arrival in New York from the south of France.

"One day Marshal Petain and Gen. de Gaulle will join forces with the French Commander-in-Chief in French Africa, Gen. Weyand and drive the invaders from France," he says.

"Everywhere in unoccupied France you hear whispers among the French people of a future alliance between the de Gaulle and Weyand forces."

"The French know their salvation rests in Britain, the United States, and in Frenchmen outside France. Gen. de Gaulle appears a saviour to his countrymen locked up in France. They feel convinced that Petain, in his secret heart, prays for de Gaulle's success with British aid."

London Hopes  
John Cowles, writing in the "Minneapolis Star Journal," says London hopes that Gen. Weyand and French colonial forces in Africa with much of the French Navy, will soon throw in their lot with Britain.

Speaking to Free French supporters in London, Gen. de Gaulle bitterly denounced the Vichy regime.

"What luck for Hitler and Mussolini when those who claim to be a French Government also claim their defeat but also to support their victors," he said.

"What luck for Hitler when orders from Vichy neutralised the second largest navy in Europe."

## Briton Thanks "Red Eagles"

The "Red Eagles" of London (American Home Guards) received recently a large bronze plaque bearing the American Eagle and the inscription: "The seal of our country, U.S.A."

Only clue to the sender was a card: "Presented to the 1st American Motorised Squadron Home Guard by an Englishman in remembrance of the happy years spent in the U.S.A. Good luck to you all."

The plaque was hung on the wall of the "Red Eagles" headquarters.

## Substitute For Gasoline

LONDON, April 16 (UP).—A scheme whereby coal tar oils, such as creosote, will replace gasoline for commercial vehicles is to be introduced shortly. Tons of petroleum spirit saved in this way will be available to the fighting services.

## GIRL IS RADIO PIRATE

A NEW pirate radio operated, it is believed, by a girl and a band of young engineers, is telling Italy's truth about the defeats in Libya and Albania.

Over, the Italian secret police, are trying to track down these new "Freedom" broadcasters.

The secret of their success, so far, is a device of detection, appears to lie in the operators' mobility.

Apparently, the portable transmitters broadcast from different points in the country.

The girl has been heard as an announcer.

One speaker said: "The Duce may be in power, but women, your men have guns, they can sabotage factories, paralyse transport."

"Every shell that falls to explode is a shot in the heart of our enemies—the Fascists."

## Clinics To Mend Broken Limbs

Clinics to mend broken limbs are to be established throughout Britain. The methods to be used were developed in a German military hospital when plaster of paris ran out during the last war.

The usual treatment is to encase a fractured arm or leg in plaster and strap it to the bed, sling it up, or use some other type of splint which prevents the patient working it.

Dr. Lorenz Bohler, faced by a shortage of medical supplies, had to enclose broken arms and legs less rigidly, and he encouraged patients to exercise them and promote good circulation to prevent stiffness and swelling.

He discovered that most people are not as ill as they feel. In his rough-and-ready hospital patients who would normally have been lying on their backs had to bustle around and do much of the housework and nursing.

## Wedding Air Sung By Count

"THE Voice that has Thrilled the World" was heard at a London wedding recently, at which both the bridegroom and the officiating priest were descendants of men who fell at Flodden.

Count John McCormack was the singer.

The marriage of the Master of Somer's daughter, Cecilia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs B. E. Dunbar-Kilburn, of Sandford St Martin, Oxfordshire, was performed by the Very Rev. Father J. Philip Valentin, of Chesham, at St James Church, Spanish-place, W.

An Old Friend  
On his mother's side Father Valentin is descended from James IV of Scotland, who fell at Flodden in 1513.

On the side of Sir John Sempill, Count of the bridegroom.

Count McCormack, an old friend of Lord Sempill, sang "God Save the King" and "Praise to the Lord, the King."

The same aria he sang at his own daughter's wedding eight years ago.

Count Sempill, who is 47, was previously married to the only daughter of the late Sir John Lavery, who was widowed six years ago.

The wedding ceremony was one of the most colourful seen in London since the war.

The bridegroom—a well-known sportsman—was dressed in the kilt of his ancestral house, with a row of medal ribbons on his tight-fitting kilt.

An address was given during the wedding by Archbishop Godfrey, the Apostolic Delegate for Britain.

## THE WARRIOR AND THE WARNING

Mohammedu, 68-year-old Emir of Ferman, a district in Northern Nigeria, has been killed by more than 3,000 people and stretching more than 1,000 square miles, was in his youth a famous warrior.

Recently he heard a bugle call from the police lines. It was meant as a warning, but the Emir was taking no chances. He had heard of air raids.

Without waiting to summon any servants or officials, he snatched up his sword, a bow and arrows, and ran up the road to look for the attacking plane.

He managed to have a crack at any enemy that came within range.

## What Hitler Loses In Balkans

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—In a special commentary in New York on April 14, Anne McCormick, the columnist, says, "The Balkan campaign is costing Hitler more than it will be worth if he wins. What will Germany gain on this peninsula that she did not have before? The British may lose a toe hold on the Continent which will not affect the outcome of the war."

"The Yugo-Slavs and the Greeks may suffer what they suffered yesterday and come back stronger than ever. But the Germans are paying heavily for what they expected would be delivered gratis."

"The most that the Nazis can win is two more hostile populations to police, more sabotage and reduced supplies. The labour that served them before has been diverted to fighting, and damaged towns, railways and farmlands will take a month to repair."

## Browder Names Successor

NEW YORK, April 16 (UP).—Robert Minor, veteran communist, has succeeded Earl Browder as General Secretary of the Communist Party in the United States.

Browder must serve four years in prison for using a fraudulent passport. His sentence has been upheld by the Supreme Court, and he is expected to begin his sentence next month.

The position of General Secretary corresponds to the party post held in Russia by Josef Stalin. Minor, who is 65, has been a dominant figure, sharing power with William Z. Foster, national chairman, and Browder.

Browder announced Minor's selection at a "farewell" party the Young Communist League gave him recently.

## Oil Factory Destroyed

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The Norwegian Admiralty in London today revealed the name of the place on the Norwegian coast that was successfully raided on Saturday last. It was Osk Fjord near Hammerfest. The statement adds that the object of the raid was to destroy the fish-oil factory, the output of which was being taken by the Germans, and which was of great importance in the manufacture of explosives.

All machinery of the factory was destroyed. There was no interference from German troops, aircraft or warships.

## Night Flying Ace Of R.A.F.

Adds Three To His Bag  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—One British pilot of a night fighter shot down three German bombers last night, the Air Ministry announces.

This ace was recently awarded the D.F.C. and promoted to Commander of his Squadron for marked ability in night flying, and he has now destroyed ten nocturnal raiders.

A fellow pilot shot down two bringing the Squadron's total bag to five.

Total of Eight  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—It is learned that two more enemy bombers were destroyed over England last night making a total of eight.

## STOCK EXCHANGE Anglo-Egyptians Fall

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange ruled very quiet with price movements narrowly irregular. Operations were inclined to mark time in view of the uncertain war news.

Gilt-edged home rails tended to be easier, but industrials mostly were well maintained, and oils were steady, apart from a half-crown fall in Anglo-Egyptians to 4 1/2 2s. 6d.

Foreign bonds were easier with declines recorded in Chinese, Japanese, Brazilian and Egyptian bonds.

Wall Street was very quiet.

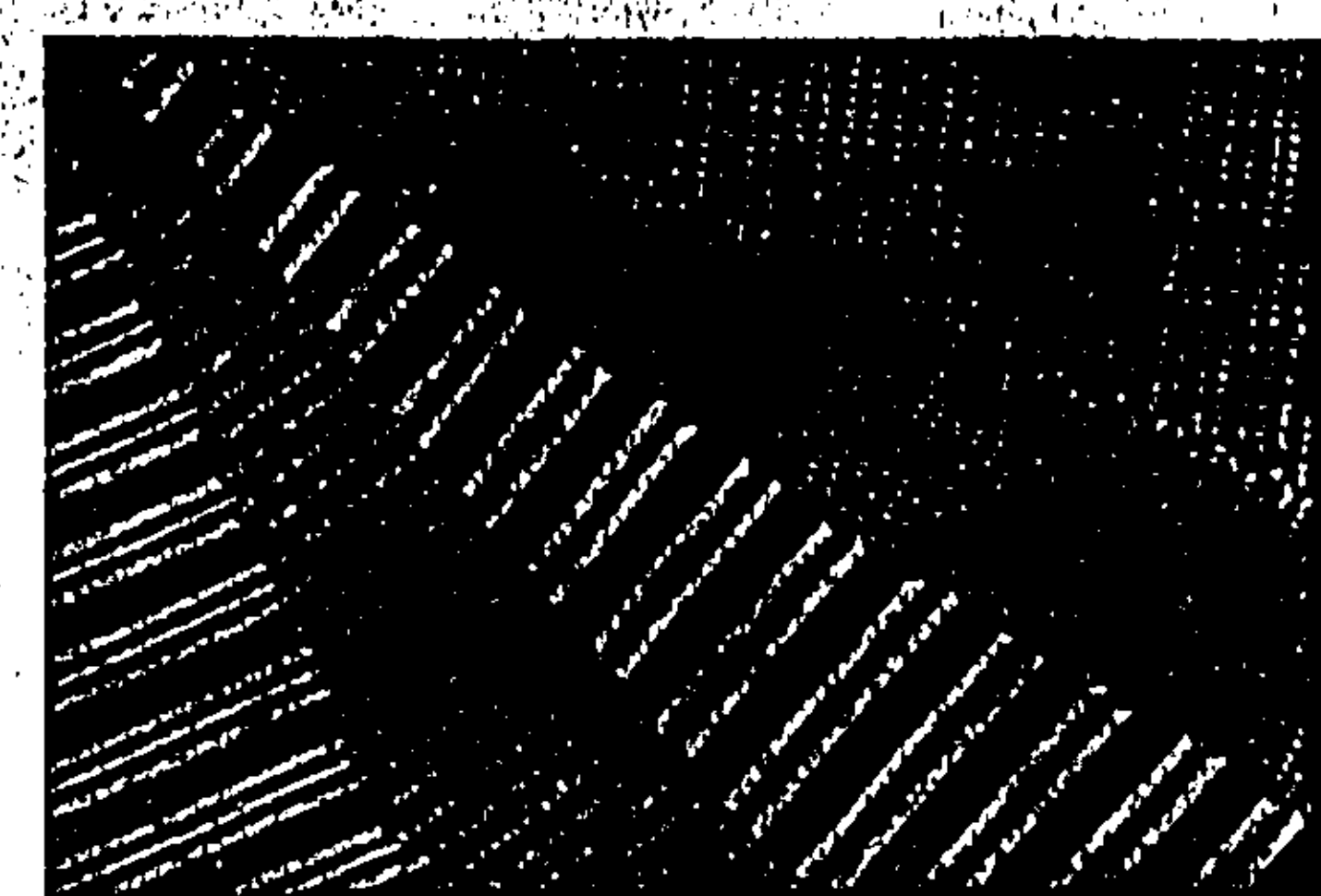
## 'QUAKE CLAIMS WHOLE CITY

VICHY, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Most of the 15,000 inhabitants of Colliac are believed to be either dead or injured in the earthquake that rocked Mexico yesterday, states a despatch from Mexico City.

Three-quarters of the town is reported destroyed.

## FIRE IN TOKYO

TOKYO, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Eight hundred and twenty houses were burned down and 5,000 people rendered homeless by a fire at a town in the Toyama district, 180 miles northwest of Tokyo.



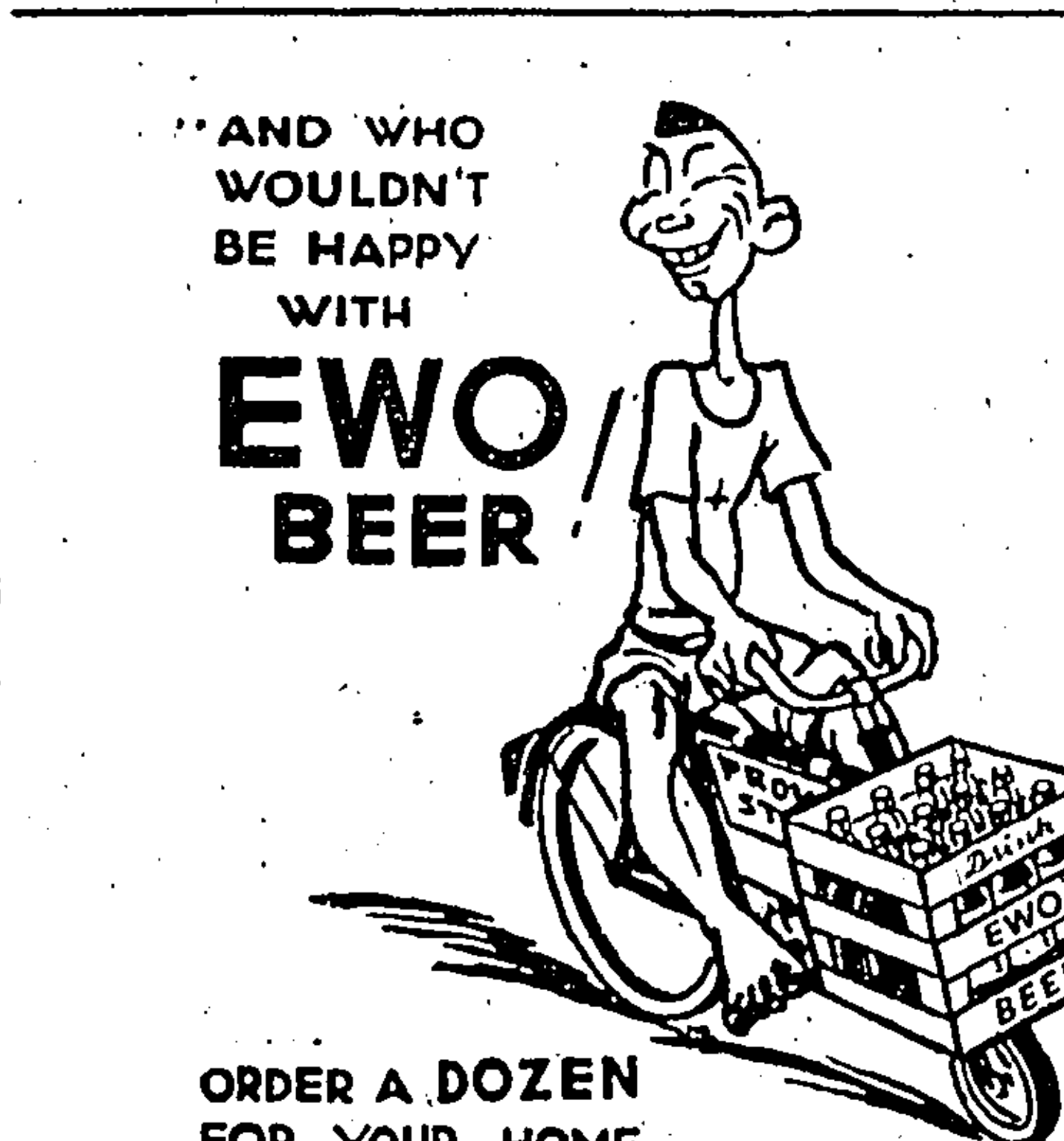
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## "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

# Common Faults Of Most Players

### Selfishness And Mistakes In Dribbling And Passing Avoid One-handed Play

**NO ONE** can play hockey by himself, but only as a member of a team; play, therefore, with your team. Hanging on to the ball, no matter how expert a dribbler you may be, upsets the balance and weakens effectiveness.

A common mistake with beginners, and one which is difficult to cure once it has become a habit, is one-handed play. There can be neither accuracy in hitting nor control in dribbling unless both hands are kept on the stick.

But perhaps the commonest fault of all is that of hitting to the left. The stick is so made that in its normal position it is held on the right-hand side of the body, consequently the easiest direction in which to hit the ball is to the left; this by swinging the stick slightly across the body.

Backs and halves are especial offenders in this respect, frequently clearing to the left when there is ample time—by a simple manoeuvre—to hit to the right. Unless this tendency is constantly corrected, it results in an unbalanced attack, overworking the left wing and starving the right. It is all the more important to correct this fault, for the attack is more easily made from the right than the left.

#### Blind Passing & Hitting

**BLIND** passing and hitting is due to a failure to look up and see how the field is placed. It is not always possible to take one's eyes off the ball, but a player should find it possible to form a mental picture of the position of the field so that he may know more or less where and when to direct his pass.

This can be improved by a more upright stance in playing, for one who holds his body in a crouch over his stick cannot see beyond a radius of a few yards.

#### Neglect of Marking

**MANY** a side has been beaten because the defence has failed to adequately mark the opposing forwards, and this fault can be generally traced to lack of understanding between the halves and backs.

There are exceptions to the rule, but the main principle is this:

Wing halves should mark the wing forwards, and the centre half the centre forward, leaving the backs to care for the inside-forwards.

A frequent fault is the wing half moving in to tackle the inner man, leaving the outer man on his own and unhindered.

## Random Jottings

### A Few Suggestions For Umpires Association

SINCE the League has now come to an end and several complaints have been made and thrown at the Umpires, I would like to make the following suggestions, and I hope the officials will be in a sufficiently jovial mood to accept them:

- (1) The Umpires Association should provide umpires with rain-coats and goloshes for wet days.
- (2) Provide free consultation with an oculist for umpires suspected of suffering from astigmatism or any other deficiency of sight. (The oculists will have a busy time!)
- (3) Cards to be printed and posted to all Clubs stating "The umpires may be blind but their hearing is alright, so be careful."
- (4) That captains be instructed in courtesy towards the officials in the extension of a vote of thanks or, possibly, an invitation to a drink after the game.

THE H.K.H.A. Six-a-side Tournament will take place on Sunday, April 27, instead of April 20 as previously stated. Entries will close in a week's time.

#### Tournament Tennis

## Rumjahn Cousins Enter Open Doubles Final

### K. H. Yip Offers Opposition

(By "Tinker")

THE RUMJAHN COUSINS, for the *n*th time of their career, have entered the final of the Colony Open Doubles Tennis Championship. Yesterday, on the Stand Court, they beat K. H. Yip and Ho Ka-lau in four sets by 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

They encountered steady opposition throughout, especially from Yip, to whose cool tactics and play, Ho owed much and it is not an exaggeration to state that had Yip had steeper support from his partner the championships would have been in grave danger of being beaten.

Of the Rumjahn cousins, H.D. was far the steeper. Sirdar was patchy. Though brilliant at times, especially in his retrieving, his overhead work was most unreliable.

But for all four players, the most noticeable feature lacking was a "killing" shot at the net. There were smashes down the sidelines that took points but there were far more occasions when a good angle shot would have saved a considerable amount of work and trouble.

Sirdar's overhead weakness made itself apparent in the opening set, but neither Yip nor Ho had sufficiently settled down to take advantage of the fact. The Rumjahns led 3-0 before the Chinese pair took a game and they then climbed to 4-3. The well-known combination, however, made itself felt and the Rumjahns took the next two games for the set.

#### Opportunity Lost

GAMES followed service in the second set, and the Chinese having served first led at 3-2. They then broke through their opponents' service to lead 4-2. The next game was their opportunity, but Sirdar compensated for many of his earlier faults with some brilliant retrieving shots to turn the tide in their favour. The Rumjahns took four games in a row against steady opposition. Ho came in for a barrage of concentrated shots, and though Yip was ever ready to step into any breach he was not given the opportunity.

The lack of understanding between the Chinese players was most apparent during this set. Gaps down the centre were ex-



The Y.M.C.A. Hockey XI, which has just concluded a most successful season. Standing: L. F. Coombe, J. T. K. Gilchrist, A. Gemmell, A. Fancey, V. M. Benwell, L. W. R. Macey, W. Ure, F. A. Olson and D. T. Smith. Seated: W. Ireson, E. W. Railton, E. Youriff and D. Grant.—Ming Yuen.

## Club de Recreio Win H.K.H.A. Tournament

FOR THE FIRST TIME in the history of the Club, Recreio won the Hongkong Hockey Association Tournament when they defeated Khalsa 1-0 at King's Park last Monday in a most interesting game.

Two grand defences toiled on a fast pitch, and only a great penalty corner goal gave Recreio the championship. Zinho Gosano played a fine game at full back; appropriate, then, that he should provide that dramatic winner of a terrific drive from a short corner hit.

Khalsa fought gamely in the closing minutes, but their forwards were without the inspiration of bygone matches. They sloped away but were felled by a defence that knitted together solidly at the slightest sign of danger.

In the estimation of many, the Indians were unlucky to lose by the only goal.

#### Fast Exchanges

**FAST** exchanges featured the first half, but poor shooting of the home forwards was evident. Ozorio, in particular, missed two glorious chances with only Souza at his mercy. With the exception of G. Gosano, inside right, the Recs' forwards were far below par.

Khalsa defence, with M. H. Hassan as pivot, tackled soundly and hit cleanly, and some of their stickwork had the opposing forwards nonplussed. But here also the forwards did not reach to their usual standard.

Tony Alves paid particular attention to the Gurbachan-Karminder Singh combination, and at the interval Recreio were slightly on top with no goals scored.

#### Khalsa Play Well

It has to be said here that Khalsa were the better team in the second half. Their defence tackled strongly and they generally gave a display worthy of champions.

There were "incidents" in this half but the umpires realized the tenaciousness of the struggle and had the game well in hand. The trouble soon blew over, though play did not quite regain its previous sparkle.

There were, however, thrills in that second half when Khalsa gave the impression of being the more likely to score.

B. Gosano broke through ten minutes before the end, but missed his mark when well within the circle. Souza in goal was on top of his form, and when threatened gave nothing away.

#### The Deciding Goal

**FINALLY**, a few minutes from the end, G. Gosano got within shooting range but was badly obstructed by Mohinder Singh. A short corner was awarded, and Z. Gosano made no mistake from the resultant hit.

Thereafter, Recreio found no means of penetrating the solid Khalsa defence, and though the visitors retaliated, they likewise faced a stone-wall defence.

#### Well Supported

RECREIO'S forwards, though displaying little stickwork, were always fast and were well supported by fine half backs, W. A. Reed and A. M. Alves, in particular, being outstanding.

Khalsa's defence was sound. U. B. Souza in goal was excellent, and their halves—Bing Singh, M. H. Hassan and M. Singh—imparted a good deal of speed to the attack which was drab and unenterprising. Congratulations to the Club de Recreio. They have been through the Tournament with only two draws and no defeats. A record in local hockey.

The game was well controlled by Messrs V. M. Benwell and Tyn.

#### Fanling Golf

## Match Play Stages For Adamson Cup

The following is the draw for the Match Play stages of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Adamson Cup Competition, the first round of which will be held on May 4, the second (semi-final) on May 18 and the final on June 1:

G. E. Willerton (12) receives bye into second round.

G. W. Reeve (11) v. W. Stoker (15); A. E. Clark (11) v. S. T. Budin (10).

F. Buckle (12) receives bye into second round.

The first player in each match is the challenger and is responsible for fixing the date. Handicaps as above throughout.

### Easter Golf Results

The Bogey Par Pool over the Old Course at Fanling during the Easter holidays attracted 43 entries and was won by G. M. Park (6), who was one up.

The Medal Round had 33 entries and was won by J. G. Jensen, who had a card of 90-14=76. Park who had a card of 70-6=70 won the Bogey Pool.

The Bogey Par Pool over the New Course attracted 25 entries and was won by J. Hackney (14), who was one down. The Mixed Bogey competition was cancelled.

A sum of \$50 collected from entrance fees has been donated to the S. C. M. Post Bomber Fund.

## Macao Hockey Visitors Beaten

A scratch Colony hockey team, comprising players from Central British Association, Police and Recreio, beat Macao Lyceum 2-0 on the C.B.A. ground yesterday.

The local team opened scoring in the first half when Taylor converted a short corner. Yvanovich broke clean through in the second half to add the second goal.

The game was extremely scrappy in parts.

The local team was—T. L. Lockhart (C.B.A.); J. B. Gonsalves (Recreio), A. M. Xavier (Nomads); J. Heywood (Police), C. Cough (Police), A. M. Alves (Recreio); P. Yvanovich (Recreio), D. Taylor (C.B.A.), N. D. Whitby (C.B.A.), J. Fonseca (Recreio), A. Odell (C.B.A.).

## "Y" Billiards Meeting

At a meeting of the European Y.M.C.A. Billiards Section yesterday a plea for more inter-Club competitions during the coming summer was made. It was also decided to recommend to the Board that two of the tables be renovated.

Mr. C. Terran was in the chair and was supported by Messrs L. H. de Corder, C. T. Champollier, R. Goldman, E. W. Railton (Asst Secretary of the Association), F. Willis (Service Secretary) and H. Neubronner (Billiards Secretary).

The Y.M.C.A. championship, which is open to the Army Area Sports Board, will be held before the official closure of the Winter Programme.

## To-day's Tennis

To-day's Stand Court match will be:

E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung v. Tsui Wai-pul and Tsui Yun-pul.



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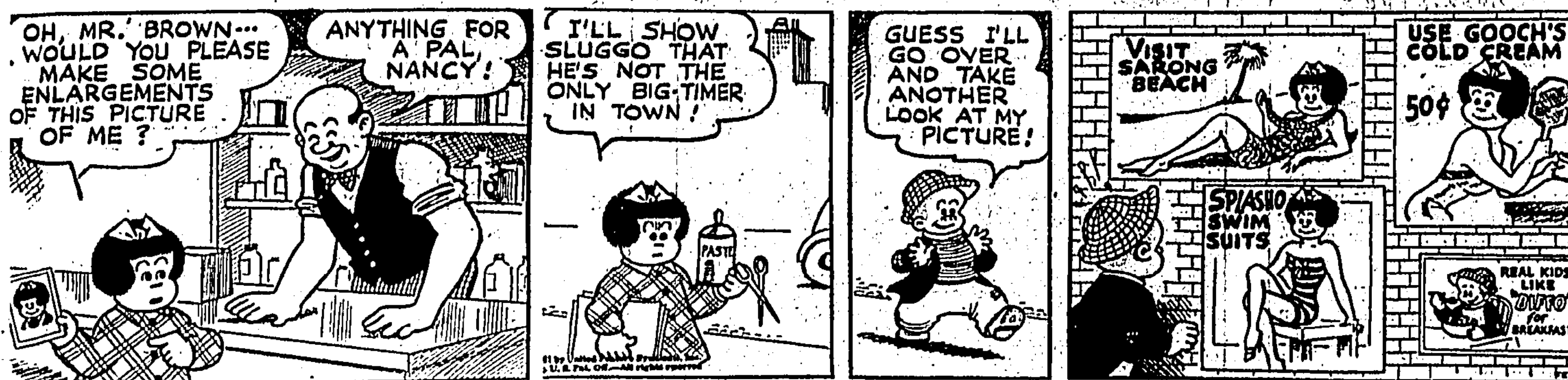
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All communications and contributions may be sent to the Headquarters, 54, Jordan Road, 1st floor, Tsimshui, Kowloon. All cheques and money orders should be crossed and made payable to the Christian Mission to Chinese Seamen, Hongkong. Please state whether for General, Good Samaritan or Building Funds.

## REFUGEES HERE

### Numbers In Local Camps Show Increase

Statistics of refugees and destitutes in Government camps for April 12, supplied by the Medical authorities, are printed below, with figures for April 5, in brackets:

Urban areas.—King's Park 1,302 (1,303); Matauchung 1,639 (1,572); North Point 1,520 (1,522); Morrison Hill 513 (518); Tai Hang squatters camp 2,557 (2,557); Ngau Tau Kok squatters camp 801 (801); Rural areas.—Kam Tin 2,144 (2,067); Fanling Children's Camp 327 (327).

The grand total for April 12 was 10,803, as compared with 10,667 on April 5, showing an increase of 136.

## BLACK-OUT TO-NIGHT

### Shipping & Traffic Instructions

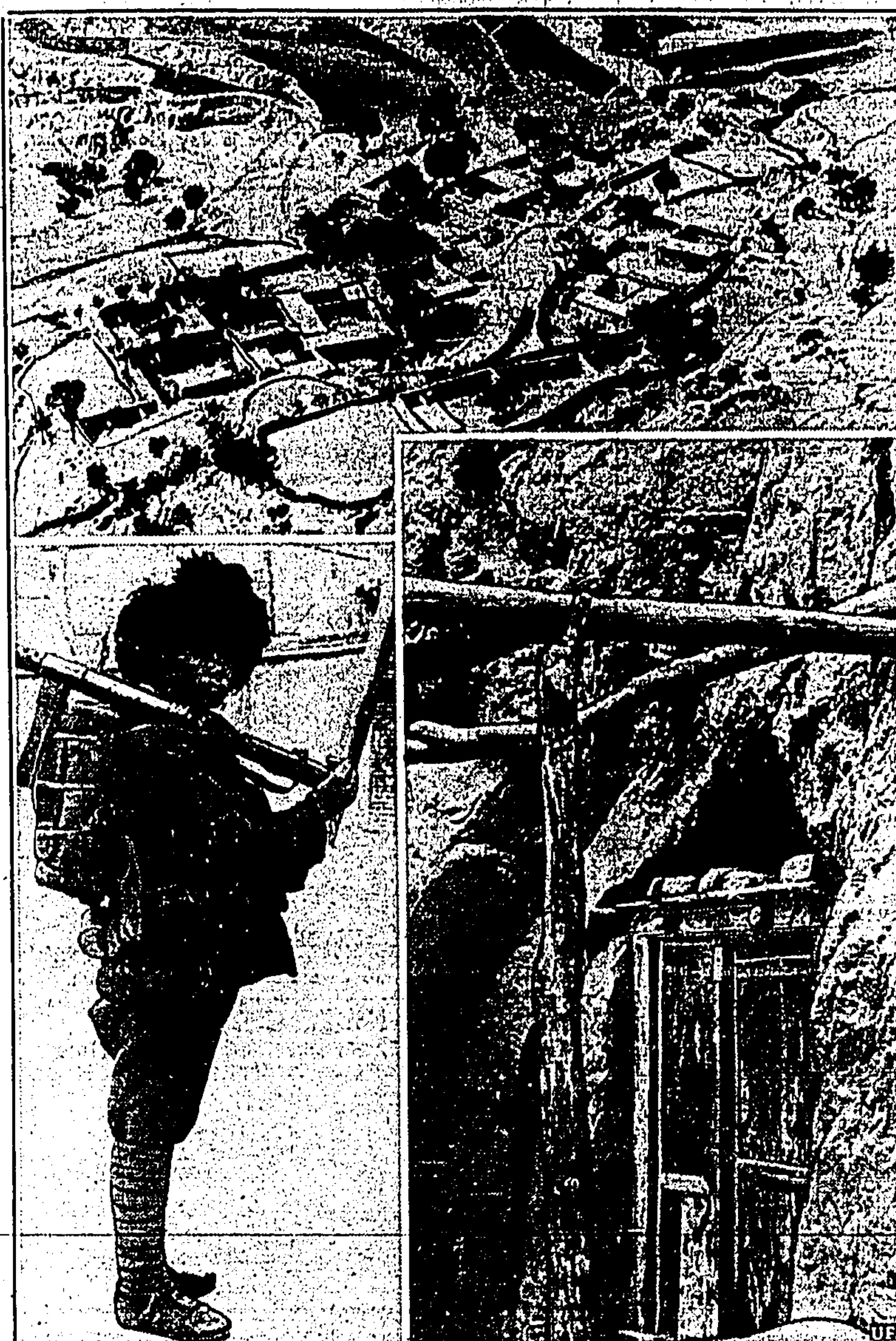
To-night's black-out exercise will automatically commence at 6.44 p.m. and terminate at 10 p.m., when normal lighting and sea traffic will be resumed. The signal for the termination of the exercise will be the switching on of all street lights.

Should any air raid alarm signals be sounded during the black-out, all road traffic must stop and pull into the side of the road, extinguish all lights, and remain thus until the "Raiders Passed" signal has been sounded, when they may resume their journey, provided that their lights are obscured in accordance with Black-out Regulations.

Drivers of public and private vehicles, on observing the approach of any military vehicle using restricted lighting, are requested to give every consideration to the difficult conditions under which the military personnel will be driving, and in order to reduce the risk of accident, should either dip or switch off their headlights. These requests are made owing to military manoeuvres and training exercises which may be in progress.

During the black-out period, external lights of every description on board vessels are prohibited, and all internal lights must either be extinguished or obscured, so that no light is visible either from above or from any other direction.

Torches may be used to meet any special circumstance, but they must be screened with two thicknesses of ordinary blue close-woven cloth or coated with paint. Pedestrians are requested to refrain from smoking and lighting cigarettes in the open. They should remain in their houses and thereby avoid exposing themselves to the grave risks of personal injury which are inherent during a black-out, and also to accustom themselves to conditions which would be enforced in wartime.



CHINA'S LIFE LINE—With the Japanese continuously bombing the Burma Road, China is dependent for supplies from the outside world on the North-West Road, sandwiched in between the Gobi desert and the Tibet highlands, in Kansu Province, and operating from Soviet Russia. The road lies through wasteland where towns perch on

terraced hillsides, top panel. The people are not true Chinese, but Moslems, descendants of migratory Turks and Arabs, left panel. They formerly waged war on the Chinese, but a compromise has now been effected. Thousands of them live in caves, right panel, high in cliffs. This inland road is practically inaccessible to the Japanese.

## Murder of Wife: B.B.C. Adviser Found Guilty But Insane

AT the Old Bailey recently, Professor Arthur Lloyd James, 56-year-old linguistic adviser to the B.B.C., was found guilty of the act of murdering his wife, but insane. He was ordered to be kept in custody during the King's pleasure.

Four women were on the jury when the professor almost whispered his plea of not guilty. He looked tired and relieved when a warder gave him the signal to sit down.

**Devoted To Wife**  
 Mr. G. M. McClure, for the prosecution, made it clear that the professor was absolutely devoted to his wife (better known by her maiden name of Elsie Owen, under which she frequently broadcast).

The real issue for the jury was whether the professor was responsible for the acts he did, if they believed he did them.

**Bleak Future**  
 At the police station, continued Mr. McClure, the professor said: "I thought my powers were failing, and I could not cope with my work. Rather than ask her to face a bleak future I decided she should die and not be asked to face it. I thought I would also kill myself."

Death was due to a fracture of the skull and concussion which might have been caused by one violent blow of a hammer.

**Depressive Insanity**  
 Dr. H. A. Grier, Senior Medical Officer at Brixton Prison, said he

had come to the conclusion that Professor James was suffering from depressive insanity. He thought the professor would know what he was doing at the time of the offence, but would be incapable of knowing that he was doing wrong.

Mr. Justice Wrottesley gave permission for the professor's son to see him, and remarked of the professor: "In my opinion he is a very sick man."

## Long Canadian Phone Line

Because of the wartime need for speedy telephone connections between eastern Canada and the Pacific Coast, the longest direct voice channel via land wires in the British Empire was placed in service recently.

The new circuit, more than 3,000 miles in length, links Toronto and Vancouver. This voice channel is 800 miles longer than the Toronto-Calgary circuit which, on its opening in December, 1937, was the longest in the Empire.

The new voice path has been made possible through the co-operation of five of the seven separate systems which comprise the Trans-Canada telephone system.

## Longer Life Possibility Use Of Chemicals

HUNTINGTON, West Virginia, April 16 (UP).—The possibility that the span of a human life may be extended to 185 years with the aid of chemicals has been suggested by Dr. William Marston Malisoff, of the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute.

Dr. Malisoff told the Huntington Executive Club how he had reversed the symptoms of old age in rabbits by feeding them with sodium thiochlorate. The chemical, he said, scattered cholesterol, a poisonous material, in the bodies of the rabbits.

He said that cholesterol is a waxy substance which forms on human arteries and that a study revealed a relationship between the amount of the substance on the arteries and old age.

There is a possibility, he said, that a method may be discovered which would scatter the cholesterol deposits so that old age symptoms could be retarded or even be made to disappear.

## MORE BEER DRUNK IN STATE BARS

In the North of England more Government beer is being drunk. In the Carlisle, Grimsby and Grimsby districts, where the Government runs the pubs, the profits for the last financial year were £117,846, which is £37,880 more than in the previous year. Reduction in unemployment and wartime additions to populations are the reasons given in an official report.

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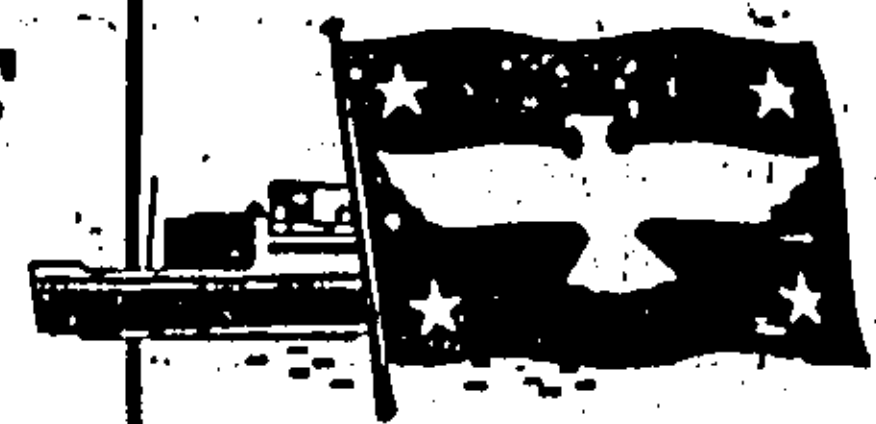
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## Goering Says He Is Royal

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That's how the old swash-buckler Hermann Goering fancies himself since it has been "discovered" that he has the blood of Britain's Royal Family in his veins.

According to the "Hamburger Tageblatt," he is related to King George VI. This is how the newspaper works it out:

Our King is descended from Henry II of England; Henry II's daughter, Princess Matilda, was the second wife of William, one of the three sons of Henry the Lion, Duke of Bavaria and Saxony, and from this marriage, Hermann Goering is directly descended.

### Why Bother?

The College of Arms states that it is not bothering to investigate the claim, although there appears to be no reason why it should not be true.

In any case, as the Nazis profess complete contempt for the British, it is difficult to understand how Goering can boast of what should logically be considered a "blot on his family escutcheon!"

## Great Battle Of Macedonia

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says a British War Office communiqué.

Heavy fighting, however, is taking place in more than one sector of the allied line.

### Patrols Active

CAIRO, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Operations in Greece referred to in to-day's British G.H.Q. communiqué consist mainly of "feeling forward" by the Germans who are endeavouring to ascertain the position of the British forces by means of patrols, these circles stated.

There are no signs yet of a major attack.

### Berlin Statement

BERLIN, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Rumours current abroad of negotiations being conducted for the cessation of hostilities in the Balkans are not confirmed by political circles here, said a Wilhelmstrasse spokesman in Berlin to-day.

The semi-official statesman continues "It is doubtful whether there are any quarters in Serbia which would be able to negotiate an authoritative agreement on this score. Military events in Serbia have entered a stage where an armistice is out of the question as the Serbian army, as such, is completely annihilated."

## Empress Of Japan's Pilgrimage

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Apr. 16 (Domei).—Her Majesty the Empress will make a pilgrimage to the sanctuaries of the Imperial Ancestors in West Japan for a week in the middle of May to pray for the successful solution of the emergency facing the Empire. Her Majesty will visit the Grand Shrine at Ise, the Kashikura Shrine and the Mausoleums of Emperor Jimmu, Japan's first monarch, Empress Dowager Eishi, Emperor Ninko, Emperor Komei, Emperor Meiji and Empress Dowager Shoken.

## War Prisoners In South Africa

CAPE TOWN, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—A further batch of 2,500 Italian prisoners, including officers, have landed at a port in the Union of South Africa to-day. Enemy prisoners now in the Union total 10,000.

## LATE NEWS



LAUNCHES STAMPS—Douglas Fairbanks, film star, buys first sheet of China Emergency Relief stamps, as stamp campaign is launched in New York. Seller is Joy Homer, author, and daughter of singer Louis Homer.

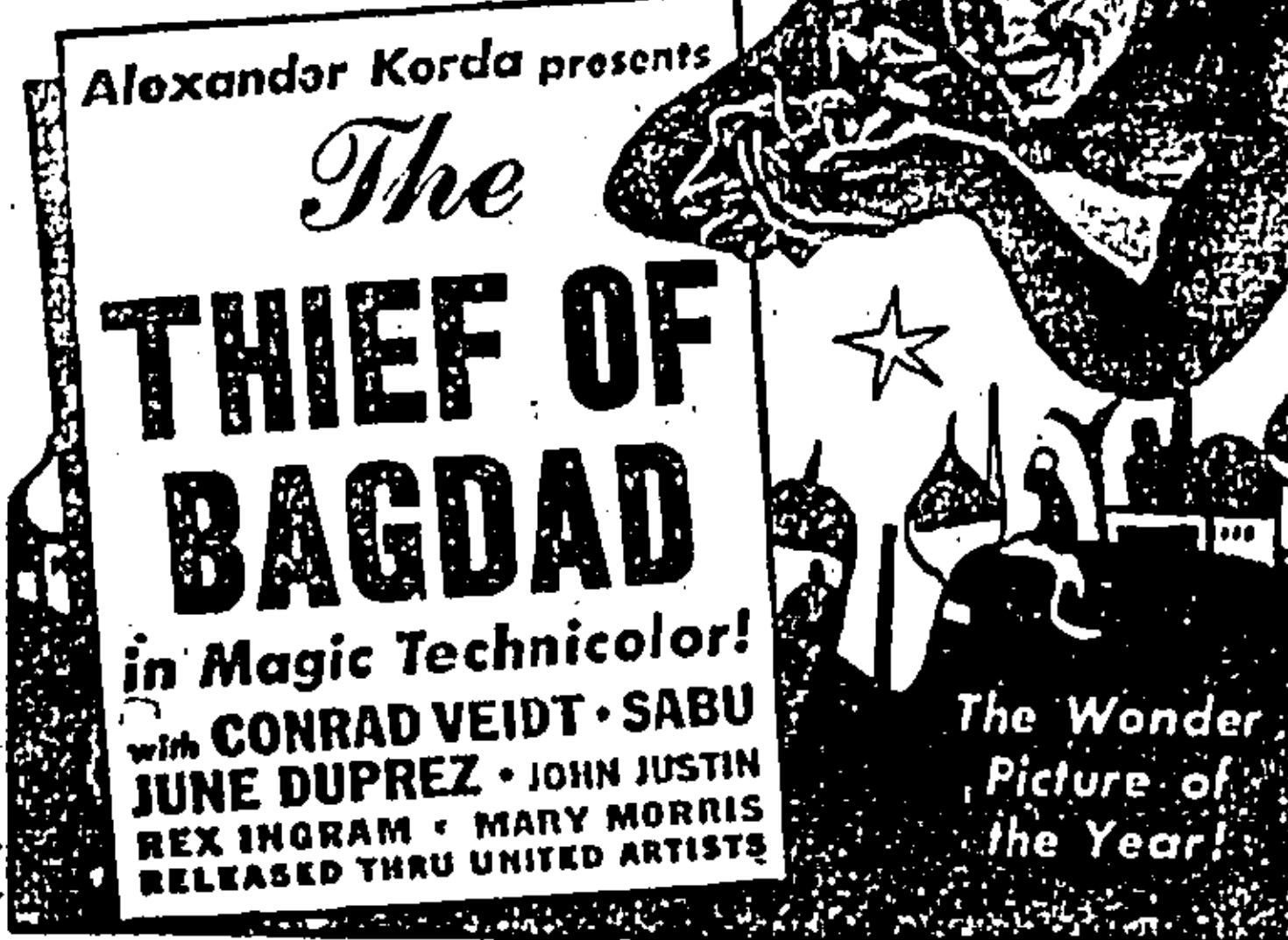
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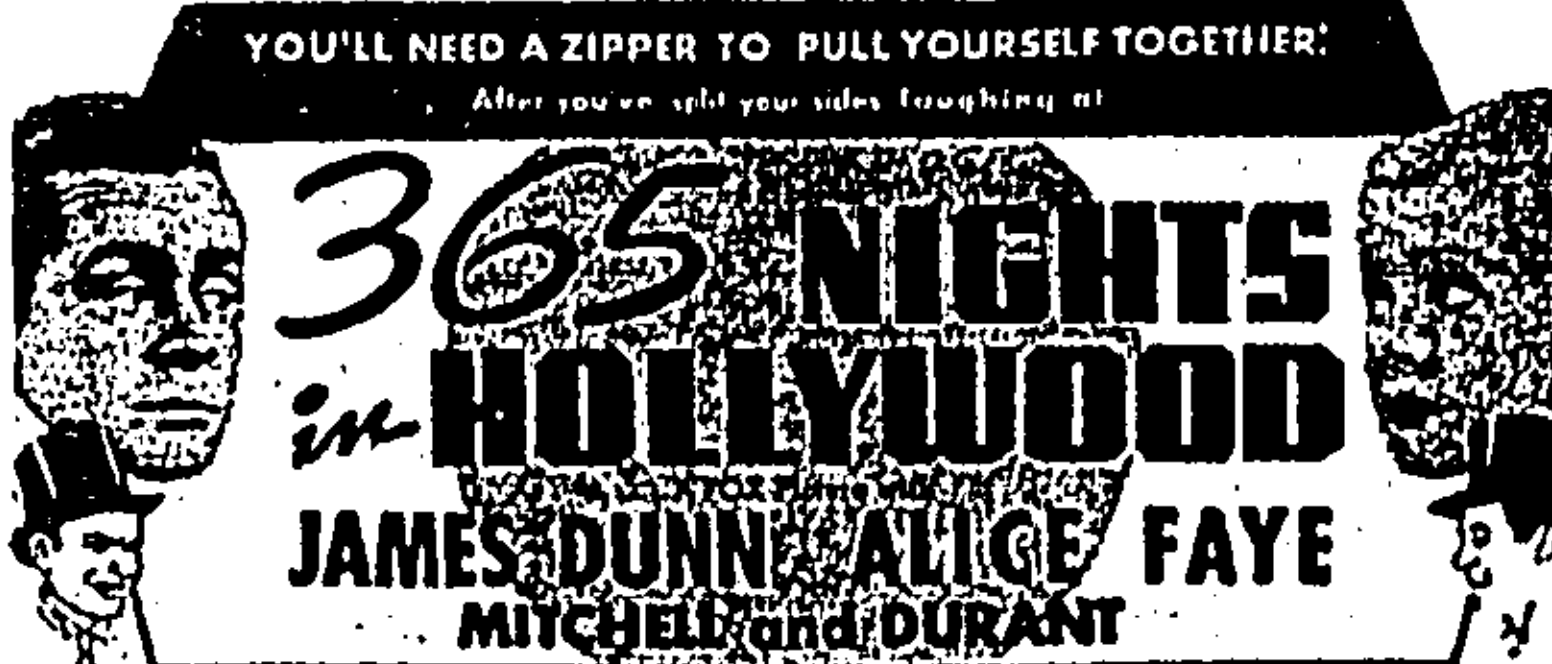
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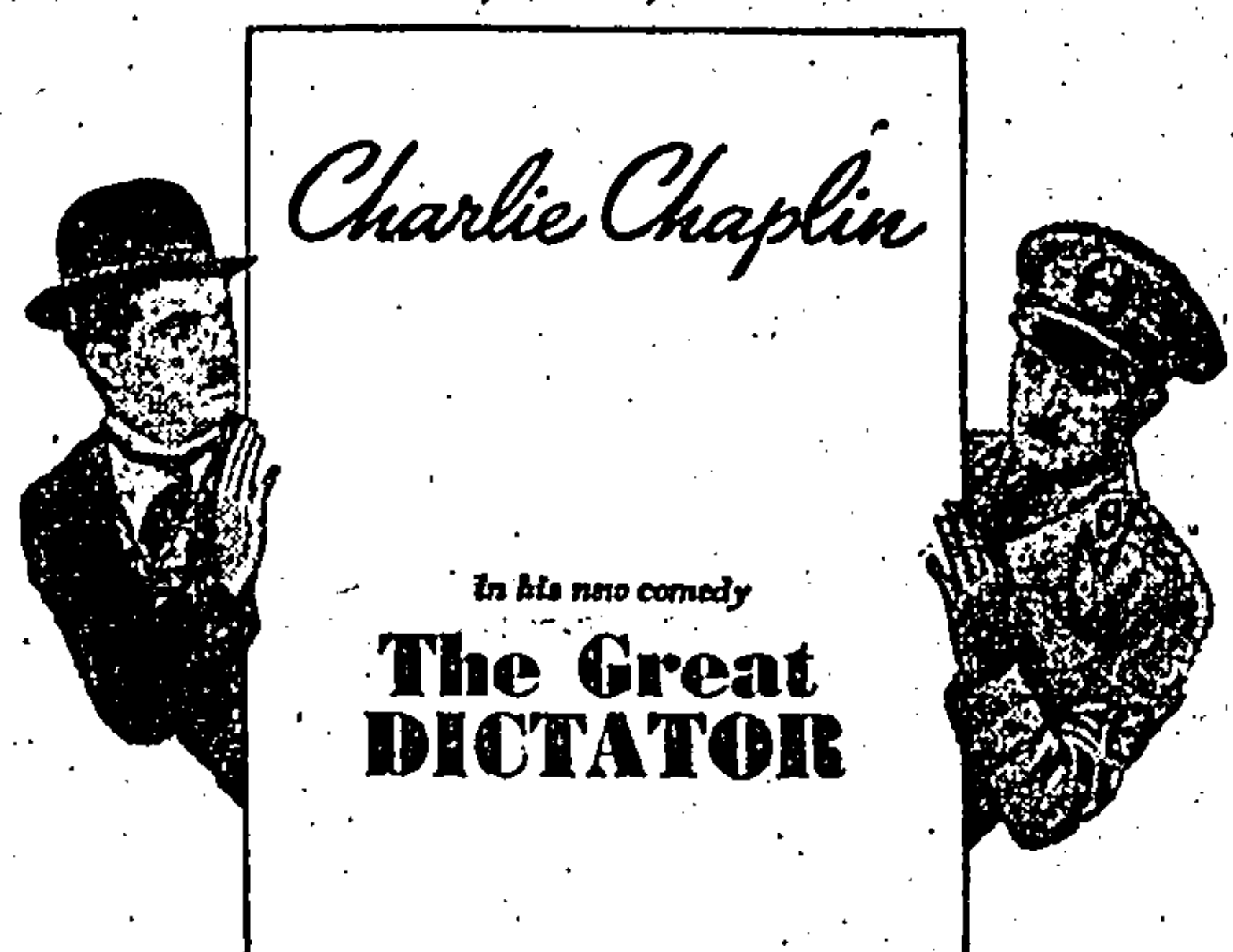
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12.30 Excerpts from Ivor Novello's Shows.

Carless Rapture—Selection. . . . . Gerald and his Orchestra; Glamorous Night—The Girl I Knew. . . . . Elizabeth Welch with Orchestra; The Dancing Years; I Can Give You the Starlight—Waltz; Waltz of My Heart—Waltz. . . . . New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; My Dearest—Denz, Mary Ellis and Ivor Novello; My Life Belongs to You. . . . . Dunstan Hart and Mary Ellis with Ivor Novello at the piano.

1 Local Time Signal.

1.01 New Mayfair Dance Orchestra.

1.02 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Compositions of Colorful Taylor.

"Otello"—Sulite, Dance from Otello; Children's Intermezzo; Funeral March; Willow Song; Military March. . . . . New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; The Island of Gardens; Unmindful of the Roses. . . . . Arthur Reckless (Baritone) and Orchestra; Intermezzo. . . . . New Light Symphony Orchestra; Sons of the Sea. . . . . Peter Dawson (Bass-baritone) with Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Variety and Dance Music.

7 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Meet Uncle Sam."

7.30 "Fals" Waller (Organ) and His Rhythm.

8 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Violin Solos by Albert Sandler, Pale Moon (Indian Love Song) (Logan); Allegro (Flocco). . . . . Jack Byfield at the Piano; Estudiantina; Waltz (Waldteufel); Dolores; Waltz (Waldteufel). . . . . Sydney Foulkes at the piano.

8.15 Studio—Local Newsletter.

8.30 Keith Falkner (Baritone) and New Mayfair Orchestra.

Jerome Kern Melodies—Intro: There is a Hill Beyond a Hill; Blue Eyes; Dancing Time; Look for the Silver Lining; She did not say Yes; Whose Baby Are You; Who; Moon Love; I've told every little Star; Wild Rose. . . . . New Mayfair Orchestra; San Diego Betty (film "Mayfair Melody"); Without the Moon. . . . . Keith Falkner (Baritone); A Musical Comedy Switzer. . . . . New Mayfair Orchestra; A Song Doesn't Care—(film "Mayfair Melody"). . . . . Keith Falkner (Baritone); Love Tales—Intro: Love, Here is my Heart; Speak to me of Love; A Bachelor Gay; I Love Thee; Frisquitta Serenade; If Winter Comes. . . . . New Mayfair Orchestra.

9 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.28 Compositions of Beethoven. . . . . Sonata in E-flat Major, Op. 81a (Les Adieux); Adagio—Allegro—Andante espressivo—Vivacissimo—Allegro. . . . . Arthur Schnabel—Piano solo; Adagio, Op. 40. . . . . Just Bjorling (Tenor) with piano; Romance in F Op. 50. . . . . Paul Kaul (Violin solo with piano).

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10 London Relay—"To Talk of Many Things."

10.15 Verdi's "Aida" Ballet Suite and Act 111.

Ballet Suite. . . . . Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler; Aida Act 111 Characters and Solists in order of appearance: Amneris, Pharaoh's daughter. . . . . Maria Capuana (M-Soprano); Ramfis, High Priest. . . . . Truncardi Pasero (Bass); Aida. . . . . Arangi-Lombardi (Soprano); Amneris, King of Ethiopia. . . . . Armando Borgioli (Baritone); Ramfis, a young warrior. . . . . Arnoldo Lindo (Tenor) with Orchestra.

11 Close Down.

The managers of six Chinese firms were fined \$200 each by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at Central Magistracy yesterday for breaches of the Defence Regulations by attempting to convey letters out of the Colony otherwise than by Post, on April 2.

**THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY. THERAPION NO. 1 THERAPION NO. 2 THERAPION NO. 3**

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 52nd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of April, 1941, at 11.30 o'clock, a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 9th April, 1941, to TUESDAY, the 22nd April, 1941, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. TAYLOR, Manager and Secretary, Hong Kong, 25th March, 1941.

### IMMIGRATION OFFICE

#### NOTICE

Shippers are hereby notified that, on account of this evening's black-out, there will be no examination of ships' passengers by this Office after 6 p.m. Examinations will be held as usual to-morrow.

R. A. D. FORREST, Immigration Officer.

#### NOTICE

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

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## CHUNGKING APPOINTMENTS

CHUNGKING, Apr. 16 (Central News).—The following appointments were announced by the Executive Yuan yesterday.

Mr. Li Shou-yung was appointed Kiangsu Commissioner of Finance, succeeding Mr. Kwan Chiu-yi, who was transferred to another post.

Mr. Li Chow-sheng was appointed Vice-Director of the Anhwei Food Control Bureau, Mr. Wei En-cheng, Vice-Director of the Chekiang Food Control Bureau, succeeding Mr. Chu Wei-ching who was transferred to another post. Mr. Liu Ching-chai, Director of the Chinghai Food Control Bureau and Messrs. Tien Chian-shan and Lin Pin were named Director and Vice-Director of the Kansu Food Control Bureau.

## 'QUAKE CLAIMS WHOLE CITY

VICHY, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Most of the 15,000 inhabitants of Colima are believed to be either dead or injured in the earthquake that rocked Mexico yesterday, states a despatch from Mexico City.

Three-quarters of the town is reported destroyed.

## Night Flying Ace Of R.A.F.

Adds Three To His Bag

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—One British pilot of a night fighter shot down three German bombers last night, the Air Ministry announces.

This ace was recently awarded the D.F.C. and promoted to Commander of his Squadron for marked ability in night flying, and he has now destroyed a total of eight.

## Empress Of Japan's Pilgrimage

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Apr. 16 (Domel).—Her Majesty the Empress will make a pilgrimage to the sanctuaries of the Imperial Ancestors in West Japan for a week in the middle of May to carry out the successful solution of the emergency facing the Empire.

## WEDDING

### Mr E. Himsworth Miss Ethel Pratt

A gown of white French satin in Watteau style, with a train three yards long, was worn by Miss Ethel Pratt, nursing sister of Kowloon Hospital, when she was married to Mr Eric Himsworth, Deputy Immigration Officer, Colonial Administrative Service, Hongkong, at the Union Church yesterday. The Rev. K. MacKenzie Dow officiated, and Mr C. E. Longyear was at the organ.

THE BRIDE is the younger daughter of the late Major and Mrs B. Pratt, of London. Her illusion veil was held in place by head-pieces of orange blossoms and pearls. She also wore a pearl necklace and pearl bracelet, and carried a bouquet of arum lilies.

His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice, gave the bride away, and Lady MacGregor, in a smart dress of biscuit coloured lace with hat to match, acted as matron-of-honour.

The Misses Doris and Helen Kotewall, as bridesmaids, wore powder blue French tulle frocks in Louis XVI style with headresses to match, and carried bouquets of pink roses. Little Wendie Hung, granddaughter of Sir Robert Kotewall, was the flower-girl. She wore a dainty frock of shell pink French tulle.

The bridegroom, who is the elder son of the late Mr H. Himsworth and Mrs Himsworth of West Bank, England, arrived in Hongkong in January, 1929. He was appointed Deputy Registrar at the Supreme Court in February, 1931, and was attached to the Treasury in the following January. In May he became Assistant Head of the Sanitary Department. In June, 1934, he acted as Deputy Registrar at the Supreme Court, and from July to September became, in addition, Deputy Estate Commissioner and Assistant Colonial Treasurer. In November he became District Officer, South, and the following month Assistant Head of the Sanitary Department. During April and May, 1935, he acted as Head of that Department. In June he was appointed First Clerk and Police Magistrate, Hongkong.

In January, 1936, Mr Himsworth became Administrative Assistant, Sanitary Department. In April he became First Clerk and Magistrate, Kowloon, and in the following March, Police Magistrate, Kowloon. After returning from leave in September, 1938, he became Second Police Magistrate, Kowloon.

Mr H. L. MacKenzie undertook the duties of best man.

A largely attended reception was held later at the Gloucester Hotel.

The honeymoon is to be spent at Baguio. Mrs Himsworth went away in a royal blue French military dress with white silk band and military trimming, with hat and handbag to match.

## AT ROSARY CHURCH

Sgt A. O. Devlin Marries Miss Hau May-oi

The wedding took place at the Rosary Church, Kowloon, before the Rev. Fr. H. de Angelis, of Sgt Andrew Owen Devlin, R.A., and Miss Hau May-oi, of No. 14 Jordan Road, Kowloon.

Both bride and bridesmaid (Miss Hau May-oi) wore white satin frocks and carried bouquets of white carnations. The bride's long tulle veil was caught to her head with orange blossoms. The bridesmaid wore a short white veil.

Mr Nicholas Kim gave the bride away, and Mr William Pointer acted as best man.

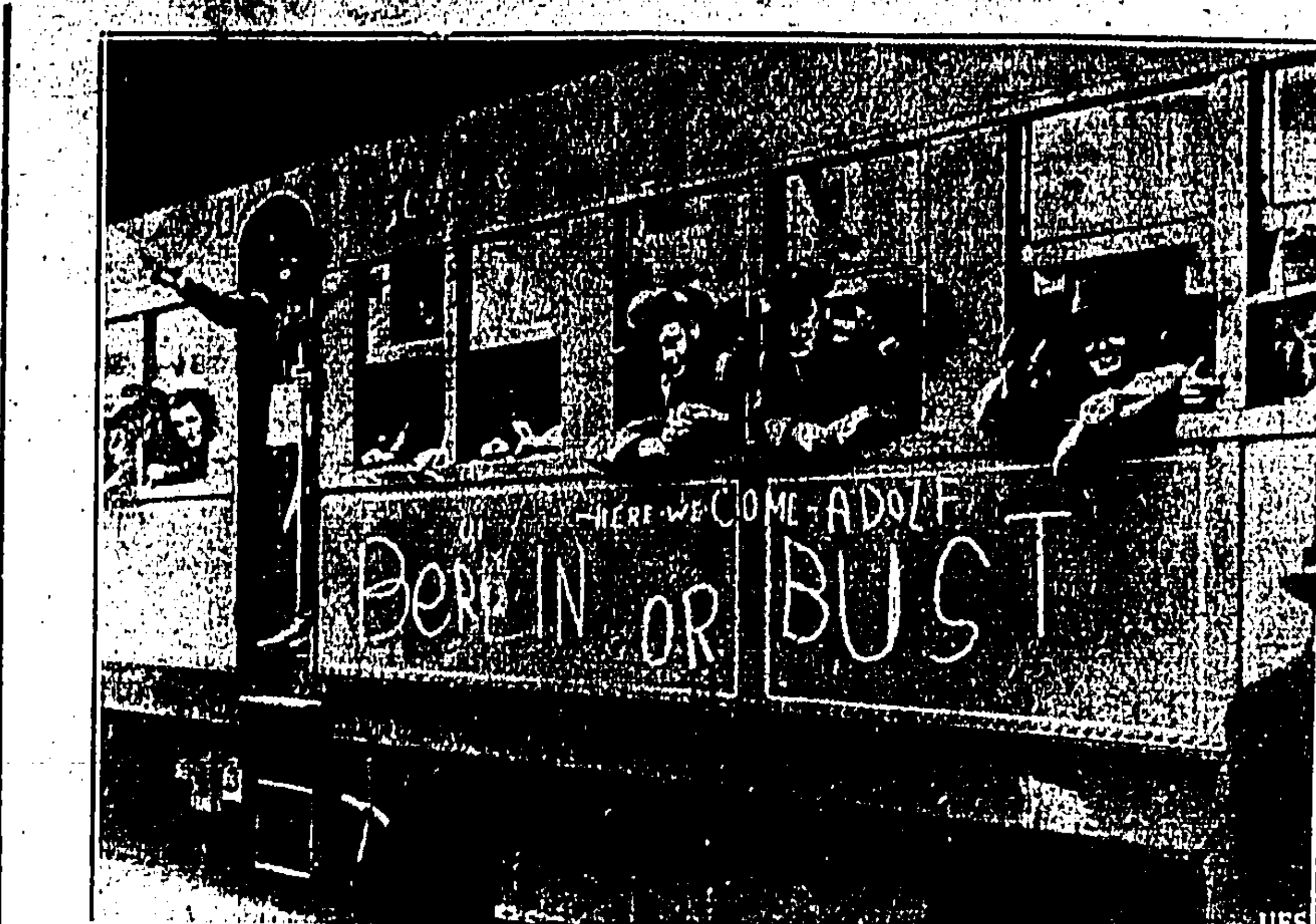
The reception was held later at the bride's home.

## ACCIDENT AVERTED

Coolidge Just Misses Asama Maru In Manila

After having covered 7,801 miles from San Francisco via the usual ports in what was termed by ship officers as a most uneventful voyage, the President Coolidge, flag-ship of the American President Line fleet, narrowly missed an accident in broad daylight as she was docking at Pier 7 on Monday morning, reports Manila Bulletin.

The ship's engines and a stout land cable capable of standing a strain of 750 tons stood the 22,000-ton giant in good stead, and the President Coolidge, which was being driven by its own momentum, came to a full stop a bare few inches from the stern of the Asama Maru, which was docked at the north berth of the pier.



MESSAGE FOR ADOLF—Troop train filled with Australians leaves Sydney for unnamed destination at war front. Perhaps they're bound for Singapore, where Aussies recently landed as Far East tension grows. Anyway, they're a spirited lot.

## A.R.P. Orders For Week: Promotions

A.R.P. Orders issued by Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Parkinson, Director of Air Raid Precautions, for the coming week are as follows:

**Dress**

The miniatures of authorized decorations and medals will be worn by officers when in summer mess kit. Ribbons only will be worn with winter mess kit.

**Honorary Warden**

Mr W. S. T. Loney has been appointed Honorary Divisional Warden in recognition of the valuable assistance he has rendered to the A.R.P. Organisation in the Colony of Hongkong.

**Strength Decrease**

The following Wardens have been permitted to resign:

Shamshui-poo, S/W 1011 Au Yan, S/W 1003 Mok Yuen-wah, 3532 Lee Kun, 1884 Chan Choy, 1891 Lau Yu.

**Change of Address**

Hung Hom—2107 Mrs Chan Im-lun and 2110 Chung Kim-park, Kowloon City, to 401 Chatham Road, ground floor.

Upper Levels—Deputy District Warden Lo Yung to Woodlands Terrace, Central—2235 Cheung Yuen-kun, Hung Hom, to Hung Lung Street, Upper Levels, to 30 Sau Wah Fong, 2nd floor.

Shamshui-poo—3010 Leung Kam-shu, Hung Hom, to 2010 Shauwan Road, 1st floor. Gough Hill—S/W 3541 Ding Fong-hang, to 100 The Peak.

Yau-mai—3441 Chung Kam-sang, Kowloon City, to 1 Downing Street.

**Promotions**

The following promotions are notified with effect from April 16, 1941:

Kowloon City—To be Senior Wardens—3108 Yung-tse, 3421 Lee Pak-hee, 2053 Li Sing-mun to be Deputy Senior Wardens.

Shamshui-poo—Senior Warden 1915 Lo Kwan-wah to be Deputy Group Warden. Deputy Group Warden 1922 Miss Wan Shun-mei to be Senior Warden. To be Senior Wardens—Deputy Senior Warden 2437 Tse Chuen, 3425 Yu Kwok-shui.

**Leave of Absence**

Aberdeen—3059 Lau King-ling, two weeks' sick leave as from April 8, 1941.

Yau-mai—2221 Au Tei-chi, 3754 Chan Shun-yun, 3753 Chu Wung-dew, 3757 Miss Leung Kin-yuk, 3758 Chun Wai-man, 3759 Miss Shun-yun, 3760 Mrs Te Mo-yee, 3761 Miss Tse Wai-ying, 3762 Wong Tung, 3763 Wong Yau-yun.

Yau-mai—2240 Miss Tsang Chi-kin, 2189 Tao Tim-hoi, 3764 Yeung Sze-wan, Kowloon City—3137 Leung Chu-ching, Hung Hom—2335 Miss Wu Shun-pok.

Shamshui-poo—3759 Chan Koon-chiu, 3763 Chau Ho-yin, 3754 Mrs Chow Lok-shuen, 3755 Chu Yin-kwan, 3756 Chung Man-tick, 3757 Ko Yung, 3758 Miss Daisy Lam, 3759 Miss Fanny Lam, 3760 Lee Cheung, 3761 Miss Li Kit-ling, 3762 Li Wing-yue, 3763 Yeung-kwong, 3764 Mak Chik-chun, 3765 Ng Yai-yu, 3767 Siu Chor-yung, 3768 Siu Shun-yat, 3769 Wong Bun, 3770 Wong Hong-sang, 3771 Miss Wong Yuet-siu.

**Notice**

Officers of the Corps attending the dance to be given by Upper Levels Division at the Club Luncheon on Saturday, April 19, 1941, may wear service uniform or winter or summer mess kit. Uniform is optional for lady Wardens.

The Director of Medical Services gratefully acknowledges receipt of a gift of 6,000 cigarettes from the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co., Ltd., for the Chinese interned soldiers at Argyle Street Internment Camp.

The wedding took place at the Registry yesterday, before Mr J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar, of Acting Sub-Inspector Louis Koher George, of the Hongkong Police, to Miss Chan Kau-yee, of No. 38 Kai Tak Bund.

## ANNIVERSARY

Mr and Mrs T. K. King Married 20 Years Ago

Many friends gathered together last night in the Hongkong Hotel Grill Room to celebrate the 20th wedding anniversary of Mr and Mrs T. K. King, who are popular in both Hongkong and Shanghai social circles. Mr King is the well-known shipping man.

The couple were married in Shanghai in 1921. Before her marriage, Mrs King was Dr Mary Yang, a graduate of Soochow Women's Medical College. The hostess was charming in a Chinese gown of silver net over pale blue satin, with matching accessories. The Kings' younger son, David, and only daughter, Marie, helped their happy parents to entertain.

Among the guests present were: Dr W. W. Yen, former Ambassador to Moscow, Miss Rosamunde Kung, daughter of Dr H. H. Kung, Vice-President of the Executive Yuan and Minister of Finance of the Chinese National Government, Mr Robert Ward, American Consul, Mr K. K. Kwok, Dr P. C. Yen, Miss Hilda Yen, Mr and Mrs J. K. Choy, Mr and Mrs L. T. Chen, Mr and Mrs T. W. Kwok, Mr and Mrs Eugene Penn, Mr T. B. Wilson, Mr and Mrs P. F. Fong, Dr and Mrs S. T. Yang, Mr and Mrs William Eu, Mr and Mrs Henry Ling, Mrs T. C. Yang, Mrs P. C. Chang, Mrs Alice Chong, Mr and Mrs S. K. Chang, Mr and Mrs P. C. Cheng, Mr and Mrs William Poy.

The A.N.S. practical nursing class for members of the C.B.S. group will take place as arranged to-day at the Kowloon Hospital (Out-patients) at 5.30 p.m., but will finish at 6.30 p.m. on account of the black-out.

## Malayan Command

Lieut-General Bond

A change in the Malayan Command was announced recently by General Headquarters (Far East). Lieut-General L. V. Bond, C.B., will shortly leave Malaya to take up an appointment in the United Kingdom. The post of General Officer Commanding Malaya will be taken over by Major-General A. E. Percival, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C.

Major-General Percival is well-known in Malaya, having served as General Staff Officer, First Grade, at Malaya Command headquarters from 1936 to 1938.

In 1938, he went to Britain to become G.S.O. 1 to General Sir John Dill, who was then commanding the First Division at Aldershot.

On the outbreak of war, Major-General Percival went to France with the B.E.F.; since Dunkirk he has commanded the 44th Division in Britain.

Lieut-General Bond went to Malaya in July 1939 in succession to the then Major-General W. C. S. Dobbie, who received promotion to Lieutenant-General when he became Governor of Malta.

## Mails For Colony

The Postmaster General, Mr E. I. Wynne-Jones, announced yesterday that the situation regarding inward mails is as follows:

Via Trans-Atlantic and Pan-American Airways, complete up to London date of despatch, March 28; via Cape Town and British Overseas Airways, complete up to London date of despatch, February 19; via U.S.A. and Pacific surface mails, the last London date of despatch is February 24.

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## POST OFFICE

On Thursday, 17th Instant, the General Post Office will be closed at 6 p.m.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—Yunnan, Szechuen, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kiangsu), Kwangsi, North and East of Kwangtung.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

**INWARD AIR MAILS**

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 14th April . . . . . Apr. 21.

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**OUTWARD AIR MAILS**

Friday, April 18

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K.P.O. and G.P.O. Reg. . . . . Apr. 18, 4.00 p.m. Ord. . . . . Apr. 21, 4.30 p.m.

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K.P.O. and G.P.O. Reg. . . . . Apr. 26, 5 p.m. Ord. . . . . Apr. 26, 5.30 p.m.

## Education Of China

Dr Paul Monroe, aged professor of education of the Teachers' College, Columbia University, has arrived in Hongkong to attend the annual conference of the Board of Trustees of the China Foundation for the Promotion of Education and Culture, of which he is a member.

Dr Monroe revealed on Tuesday that there were about 20 Chinese college graduates being trained in three of the United States' largest automobile factories, Ford, General Motors and Chrysler plants, in automotive engineering under the sponsorship of the China Foundation. The training is for six months to one and a half years, and after its completion the student is entitled to a degree, sometimes a doctorate, from his university.

A preliminary meeting of the trustees will be held this evening and the formal session on April 17. Besides Dr Monroe, other trustees who have already arrived here for the conference include Dr Earl Baker and Dr Zen Hung-chun from Chungking, Dr Alfred Sao-ke Sze from Shanghai, and Dr J. Leighton Stuart from Peking.

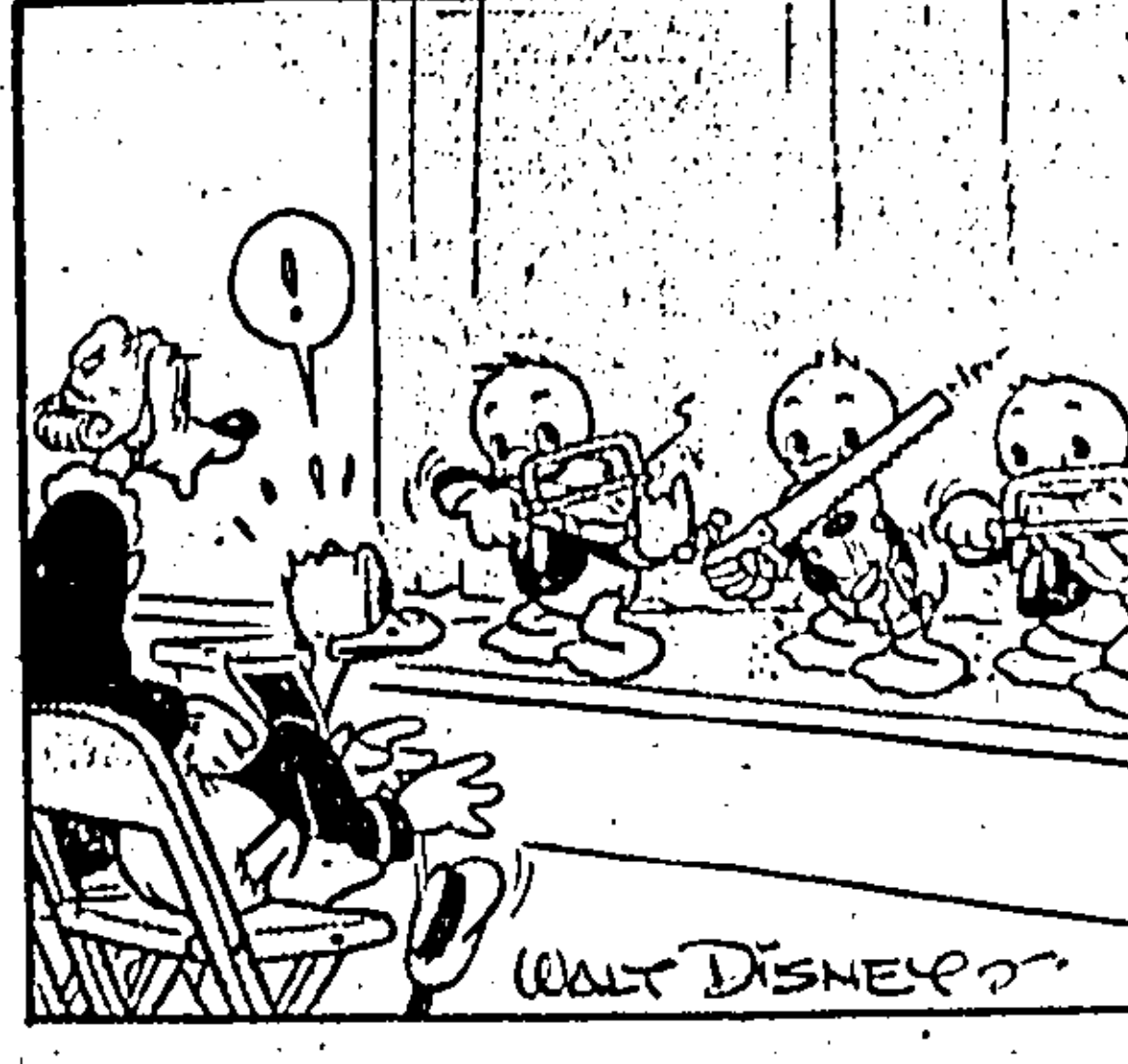
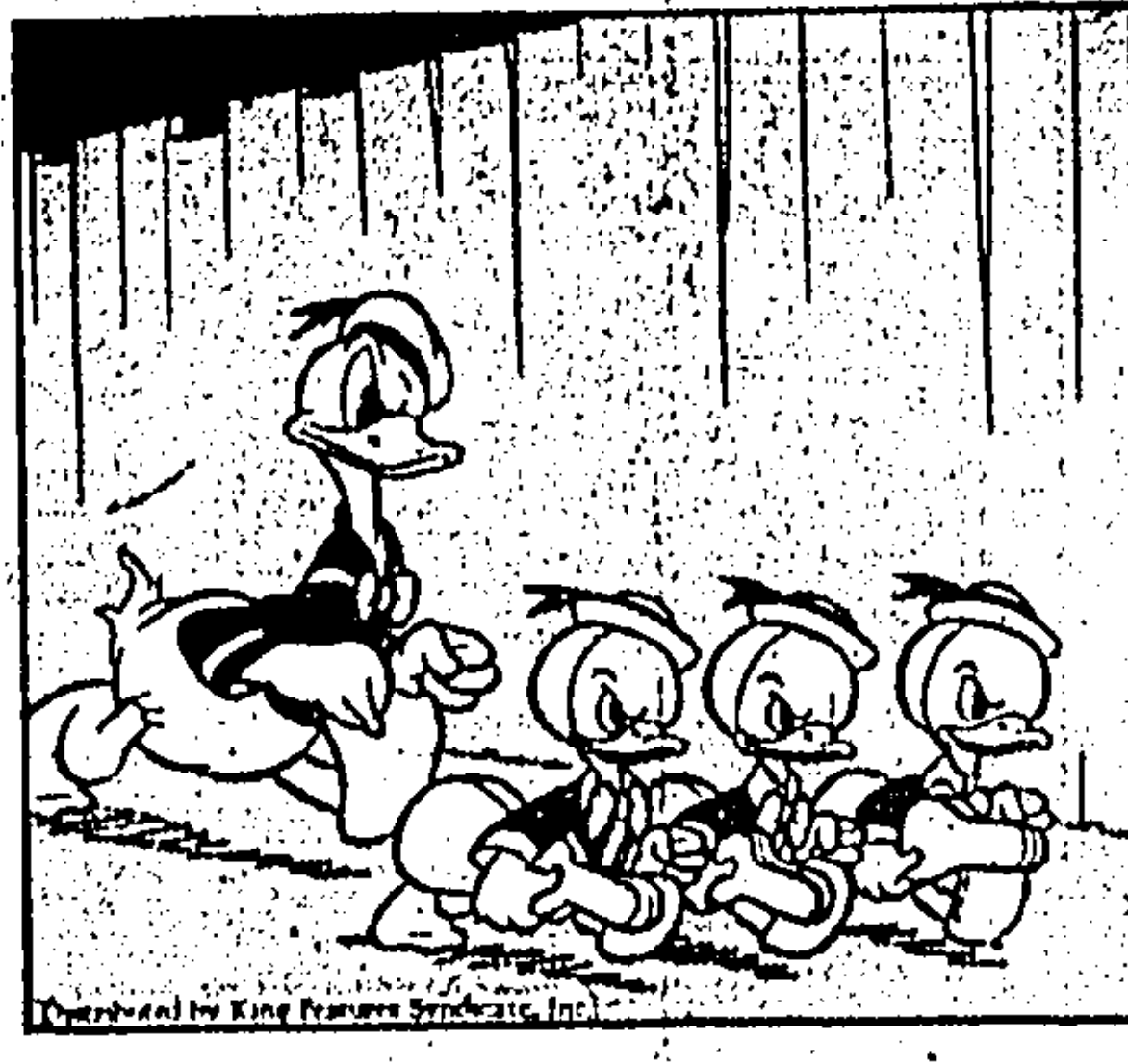
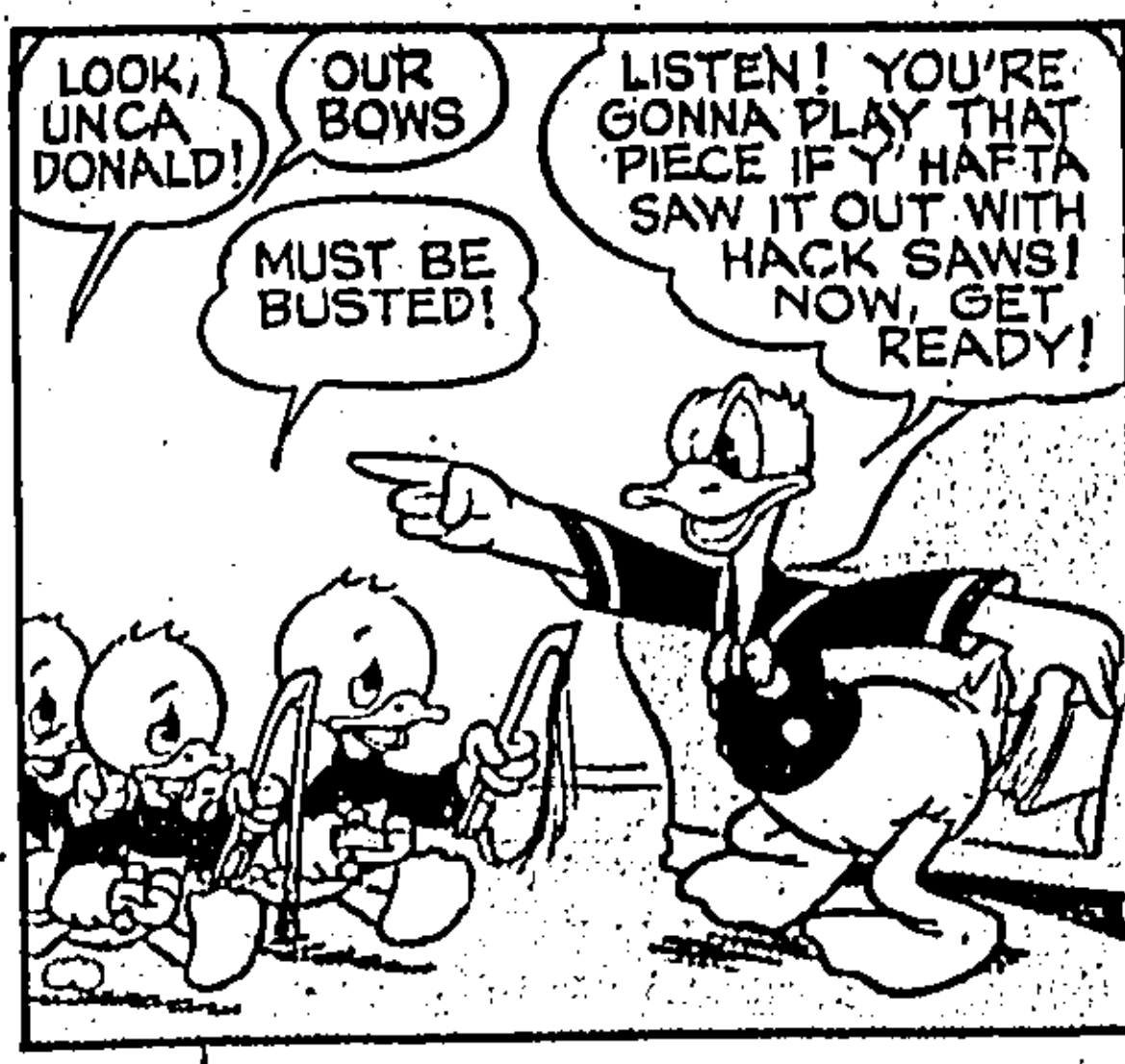
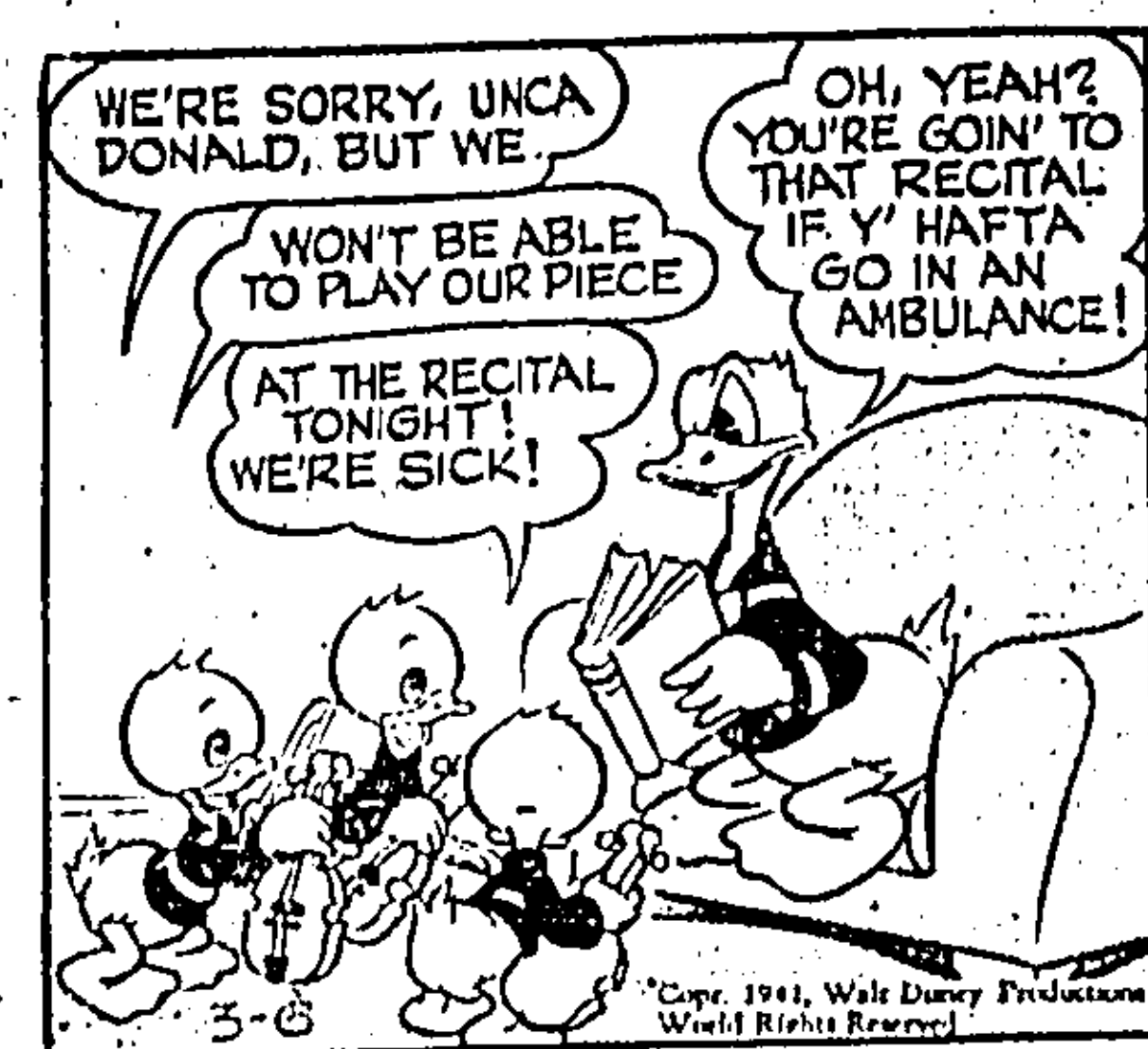
## Hitler Tries Forgery

HITLER is trying to damage British prestige by flooding certain neutral countries with counterfeit Bank of England notes.

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## Crossword Puzzle

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**ACROSS**

- Part of ship's rigging
- Small place
- Chop into small pieces
- Take a run off
- Turn away
- Combining form; all
- Wandering urchin
- Man's name
- Avenue
- Harriet
- Place who repair holes in cloth
- Domestic animal
- With maiden name
- Marked with day of month
- Female sheep
- Slender piece
- Army
- Air pump
- Motorist's airplane
- Small bird
- Preceding
- Crowlike birds
- Stem
- Ice-cream
- Meddled musically
- Terminus
- Flavor
- Covered with fuzz
- Poisonous
- Industry of Amazon River
- Common bird
- Recently deceased
- Precede for publication

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

1-Allows an deduction  
2-Daring action of fabric  
3-Outwardly manifest  
4-Become acquainted with  
5-Orphaned  
6-Unfamiliar persons  
7-Clinging insect  
8-Drug-producing plant  
9-Hunt  
10-Juicy carriers  
11-Structure  
12-Hates self on hind legs  
13-Common devices  
14-Postpone  
15-Decline  
16-Complaint  
17-Level  
18-Destroyed  
19-Jest people  
20-Fully satisfied  
21-Defame  
22-Are envious  
23-Clumsious student  
24-Captain  
25-Sole of foot  
26-Useful metal  
27-Wait for  
28-Not regular place  
29-Hurry  
30-Walk through water  
31-Feed everything  
32-Circling  
33-Live color  
34-Members of western Indian tribe  
35-Period of fasting  
36-Cloth worn under chin

**DOWN**

- Box
- Diminish a little at a time
- Inland area in Russian Turkistan
- Ommit in pronouncing
- British Foreign Ministry
- Take out
- Legal authority
- Heptec

# HOW THE LEND AND LEASE BILL WILL WORK

## From the United Press

Here is an analysis of salient features of the British Aid Bill which recently became a law:

1. The President of the United States may lend, lease or give away defence articles—ranging from warships and planes to cartridges and wheat—to any country whose defence he deems vital to the defence of the United States.

2. The terms for repayment of such aid will be set by the President in each case. He may arrange for the goods to be paid back; or agree to take other types of goods in exchange; or he may give the material away for "indirect benefit" to the United States.

3. The immediate direct dollar cost of defence articles transferred abroad will be borne by American taxpayers. The President will seek cash and contractual authority from Congress to purchase the articles.

4. From army and navy equipment now on hand or on order, the President may send up to \$1,300,000,000 worth abroad. He must seek specific authority from Congress to transfer more than that amount from army and navy stocks appropriated for or authorized in the future.

## CONVOYS

5. The President receives no specific authority under the bill to use American ships to convoy defence supplies to Britain. On the other hand, the bill does not curtail any powers which he may now have to order such convoys.

6. The President must report to Congress every three months on the transactions which he enters into under the bill. But he may withhold until a later time the disclosure of transactions which he does not consider in the public interest to reveal at the moment.

7. The President's powers under the bill extend through June 30, 1943, unless ended earlier by a simple majority vote of Congress. Contracts which he enters into under the bill must be completed by July 1, 1946.

8. Under the bill, the President or his defence advisers may also give certain secret military information to nations whose defence is deemed vital to the United States. Such information might include the plans or designs of the zealously-guarded bomb sight, for instance.

Here are some questions and answers designed to clarify operation of the lend-lease programme:

Q. What is the purpose of the programme?

A. To make the United States the arsenal and larder of the world's democracies; to speed weapons and other war materials to Britain and other nations battling the Axis Powers.

Q. When is the programme effective?

A. The programme went into effect when President Roosevelt signed the Lend-Lease Bill on March 11, 1941.

## ANTI-AXIS

Q. What steps can the President take immediately to help the anti-Axis nations?

A. The President is empowered to release at once up to \$1,300,000,000 worth of army and navy equipment.

Q. Has the President extended any immediate aid?

A. He has approved an army-navy list of equipment which is to be sent to Britain and Greece, some of it in a few days and the rest over a period of weeks and months.

Q. What type and how much equipment is involved?

A. The President said the first list of equipment was not very large and that the type must remain secret until their identity is no longer of military value. Other sources indicated it included a number of "flying fortress" bombers, naval patrol bombers, light tanks, machine guns and mosquito boats.

Q. Is the total amount of aid limited to \$1,300,000,000?

A. No. That limit applies only to release of U.S. equipment now on hand or on order.

Q. How else may the President extend aid?

A. By requesting Congress to appropriate specific sums to be used to buy things for the democracies. He is now asking Congress to appropriate \$7,000,000,000, of which \$1,300,000,000 will be earmarked to replace equipment taken from existing army-navy stores.

Q. Will the President ask for more than \$7,000,000,000 to aid the democracies?

A. Supplementary requests may be sent to Congress from time to time. The \$7,000,000,000 is expected to be the major item this year.

Q. To what specific nations may aid be sent?

A. To "any country whose defence the President deems vital to the defence of the United States."

Q. Is the aid limited to weapons, such as planes, warships, tanks and guns?

A. No. It may also include food, raw materials, cargo vessels and virtually any commodity useful in the creation or maintenance of a war machine. It may include any "defence information"—defined in the bill as "any plan, specification, design, prototype, or information pertaining to any defence article."

Q. Is the extension of aid limited to the lending and leasing of defence articles?

A. No. The President may give the material away if he wants to.

Q. What can the President accept from the democracies as repayment for aid rendered?

A. He could arrange to receive repayment in kind—a gun for a gun, or a ship for a ship—or in cash or other materials, such as rubber or tin, which the nation needs. He might also accept territorial concessions or "any other direct or indirect benefit."

Q. What happens to money received as payment or repayment?

A. It may be used during the fiscal year in which it is received or the ensuing fiscal year for purchase of other materials to be sent to the democracies. If not used for this purpose, they go into the general treasury fund.

Q. How long will the programme remain in effect?

A. Through June 30, 1943, unless terminated by a simple majority vote of Congress before that time. Contracts entered into by the President under the programme must be completed by July 1, 1946.

Q. Does the act require the President to make any report on the progress of the programme?

A. Yes. He must submit to Congress, at least every 90 days, a report of "operations under this act except such information as he deems incompatible with the public interest to disclose."

## U.S. FORCES

Q. Does the bill give the President any specific authority for use of American land, sea or air forces abroad?

A. No. The bill merely provides that none of its provisions shall affect existing laws on such movements. The Selective Service Act and the National Guard Mobilization Act prohibit the use of draftees or guardsmen outside the Western Hemisphere or U.S. possessions. There are no such restrictions on the use of the Navy or of the Regular Army.

Q. Are there any precedents for the use of Regular Army or Navy forces abroad without a declaration of war by Congress?

A. American history has many instances in which U.S. troops and ships engaged in minor conflicts, such as in Latin America and the Boxer Rebellion in China, without a declaration of war. But there were formal declarations before American participation in the Spanish American and World Wars, as well as the War of 1812 with Britain.

Q. Does the Lend-Lease Act permit the President to use American warships to convoy defence supplies to Britain or to any other nation?

A. It states that "nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize or permit the authorization of conveying vessels by naval vessels of the United States." If the President decided that present law permits him to convoy supply vessels, the Lend-Lease Act would not prohibit such action.

Q. Are there any other laws banning the use of American warships abroad?

A. The Neutrality Act forbids entry of American vessels into combat zones defined by the President. Britain and Greece are in such zones, but China is not.

Q. What does the outfitting and repair clause of the Lend-Lease Act authorize?

A. It empowers the President to permit foreign warships to be repaired and fitted out with armaments in private or navy shipyards or outfitting U.S. bases equipped for such work. It also permits the repair, reconditioning or testing of any defence article possessed by a friendly nation.

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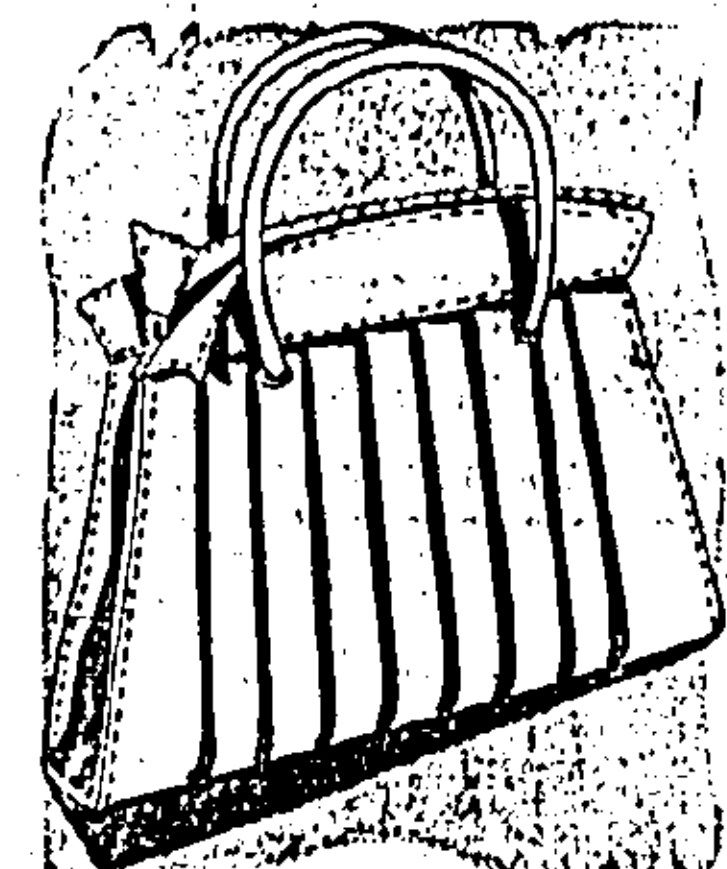
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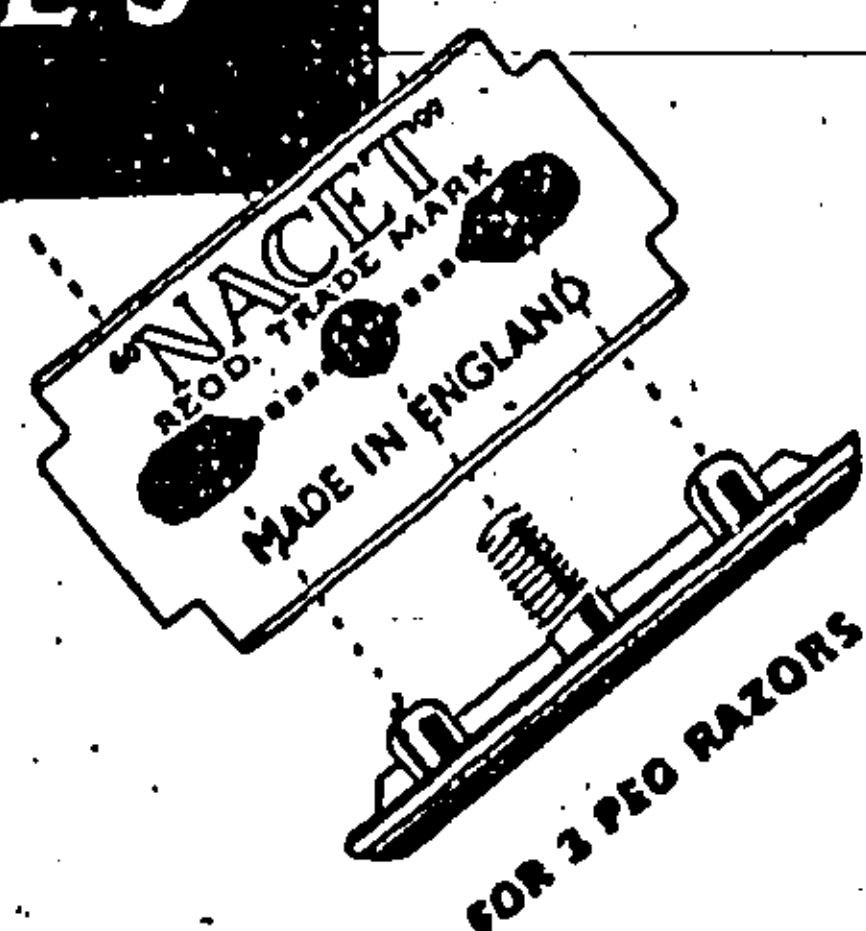
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TUBERCULOSIS

TUBERCULOSIS, the most widespread and insidious of the diseases to scourge the health of the Colony, continues to take alarming toll of the population, providing a problem which demands the fullest attention both on the part of the administration and the public.

Latest figures show that so far this year 2,912 T.B. cases have been notified to the health authorities—an average of 194 per week and nearly 20 per day. This, however, is only half the picture; it is safe to say that at least the same number remain unnotified and therefore escape the official records. It is this feature which prompts Scientific Research Committee of the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association, in the discerning and constructive report just issued, to observe: "Owing to the great prejudice against T.B., the Medical Department should be advised to instruct its Health Inspectors to be most tactful in dealing with notified cases, in order that others will not be encouraged to hide their disease and secretly spread infection."

The report contains a number of other highly important suggestions which call for the most sympathetic consideration of the authorities. Some provide for almost elementary precautions which, it is surprising, have not already been effected. For example, investigation of the condition of houses in the poorer areas and the thorough operation of the Government's rules on house ventilation. Why should it be necessary for an unofficial body to prompt the authorities in such an elementary and obvious matter?

Other recommendations must, of necessity, be carefully investigated before decisions are made, as they involve capital outlay and recurring expenditure; this consideration, though, does not deny their desirability. One is that open-air schools should be encouraged; another that there should be established well-equipped Chest Clinics in the Colony for the selection of cases to be sent to the institutions, these clinics to be provided, not only with X-ray equipment, but also an independent laboratory of their own; the committee further recommends the purchase of a radiophotography outfit for mass survey, and that as a minimum, a 150-bed hospital and a 300-bed sanatorium for the treatment and care of T.B. patients be provided in non-maternal districts.

All of these recommendations appear to be but normal requirements for the Tuberculosis problem is to be tackled in any sort of sincere and businesslike manner. Half measures can achieve nothing of value. The financial aspect must not be permitted to thwart the ultimate objective, which is to free Hongkong as far as possible from the scourge of T.B. The matter is urgent as both official statistics and the report of the Anti-T.B. Association demonstrate. Effective action by the authorities is required.

**HOW WILL**  
**HITLER**  
**FALL?**  
Fifth Article

"A PISTOL pointed at England's heart." It was Napoleon, of course, who said it, and he said it at Antwerp.

But more than two centuries before Napoleon, Philip the Second of Spain had already pointed the pistol, loaded and fired it.

It was from Antwerp that the Prince of Parma, Alexander Farnese, was to have embarked his army of foot and horse for the invasion of England in 1588—that great venture which the small vessels of the English Fleet nipped in the bud.

The Low Countries have always been closely linked with the fortunes of Britain.

The wars of religion, the sublime struggle of William of Orange against Spanish despotism, the ambitions of Louis the Fourteenth and of Napoleon, the Dutch and British naval rivalry in the reign of Charles II, the Belgian revolution which separated Flanders from Holland and broke up the United Netherlands, the rise of the Dutch and Belgian colonial empires, the year of 1914—all these tremendous events have had a direct effect on British policy.

And now Hitler has thrown the Low Countries more profoundly than ever into our orbit. Our fate is joined to theirs.

The Dutch have been forced by Hitler's perfidy out of their long and honourable neutrality in the wars of Europe. The Belgians were neutral by dictate of the Great Powers, who guaranteed their independence in 1831.

Their neutrality, scrupulously respected by themselves, kept them at peace during the Franco-Russian war of 1870. In 1914 it was violated by Germany—a "Scrap of Paper."

**Faith Destroyed**

After 1918 Belgium placed her faith jointly in the collective security promised by the League of Nations, and in the pledges made by France, Germany and Britain in the Pact of Locarno.

The rape of Abyssinia and the failure of sanctions destroyed her faith in collective security. The unopposed entry of German troops into the Rhineland in 1935 destroyed her faith in Locarno.

Thereafter Belgium fell back on the old policy of neutrality, and began to rearm.

We have seen the consequences. Cynically breaking his latest pledge to the Low Countries, Hitler invaded Holland and Belgium. The Belgian

fortifications were taken by surprise, or encircled, although one fort held out for many days.

The Dutch were cut off by their own famous water defences. Queen Wilhelmina and her Government took refuge in England. After a brief but heroic resistance, the young Belgian King, Leopold III, surrendered with his army.

History has few examples of a more tortured conscience than that of this royal Hamlet. His surrender was bitterly attacked at the time, and by most of his ministers.

It drew from Paul Reynaud, then Premier of France, one of the most savage and contemptuous denunciations I have ever heard broadcast on the air from one national leader to another. It plunged the British and the French nation and the many millions of Belgian refugees into consternation.

Winston Churchill, almost among the Allied statesmen, showed understanding and clemency. "It is not the moment to judge," he said.

But the French Government and its Press seized eagerly upon the surrender as a justification and explanation of their own army's defeat.

**Grave Dilemma**

Actually, I am told, the position of the King was desperate. The Belgian Army could not have held out for more than three days. It was practically surrounded. It would have been forced to lay down its arms in the field, or be massacred to a man. The Belgian monarch can be criticised on two grounds:—

I.—He did not reveal his desperate plight, and intentions, in advance, to the Allied commanders, and delay his surrender at least for another day, to allow his Allies to extricate themselves from their own difficult situation.

II.—He acted, not as constitutional sovereign, but as commander-in-chief of the army. In the former role his duty was to follow the advice of his cabinet, and, if necessary, follow them to France or to Britain. But he preferred to act as the chief of the armed forces and to share the fate of his army.

It was a grave and terrible dilemma which confronted this young sovereign, the son of the noble Albert I, and himself endowed with many of his father's qualities.

If he chose one path or the other, he was certain to meet

**Baltic to Black Sea**  
**Fortified by Nazis**

By DAVID SCOTT

Germany has now almost completed a vast system of fortifications extending along the new German frontier and those of associated or dominated States from the Baltic to the Black Sea.

The new Eastern Siegfried Line begins near Memel, where it is formed by the pre-war fortifications of East Prussia, now greatly re-inforced.

Thereafter it switches south to the Bug River and follows this river line which now forms the boundary between German-occupied and Russian-occupied Poland to the Ruthenian border.

The section covering Poland, which has been constructed since the German conquest, is built on the Siegfried, not the Maginot, principle; that is, thousands of pillboxes, small forts, gun positions, etc., covering a depth of many miles rather than elaborate underground fortresses.

At the same time the Germans are working hard to improve the west to east rail and road communications of this area, ostensibly for the purposes of traffic with Russia, but with obvious strategic value.

In Ruthenia the German line links up with the defence system now being built by the Hungarians.

This again, after following the line of the Carpathians, joins with the Rumanian defence sys-



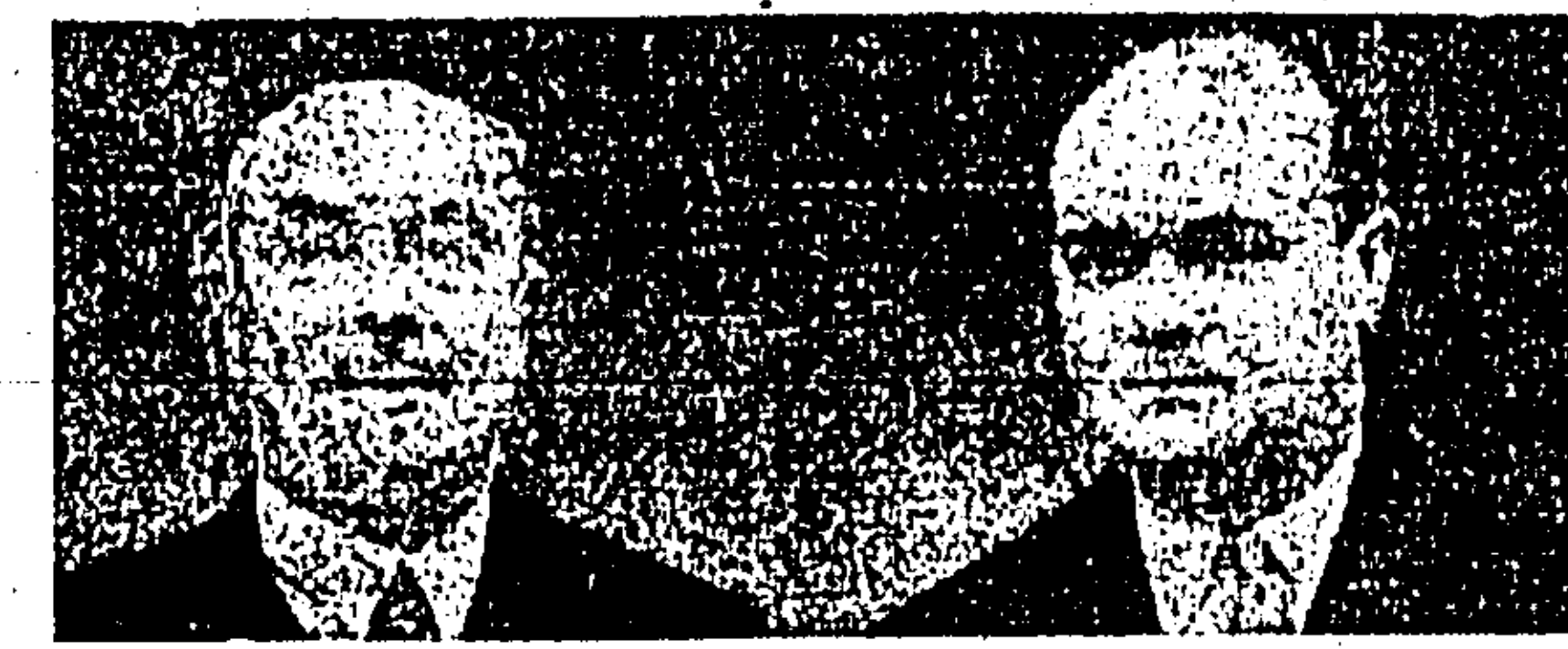
tem known as the Carol Line, reaching the Black Sea near the mouth of the Danube.

Thus, by new construction and adaptation Germany in the last year has created a great barrier all along her eastern frontiers which is calculated to make her invulnerable.

The last link to be forged in this chain is the southern section covering Rumania.

**THE PISTOL AT**  
**ENGLAND'S HEART**

By George Slocombe



M. Piorlot, Belgian Prime Minister, and M. Spaak, Foreign Minister, both now in Britain. "The little States will have to follow a policy very different from the past," thinks M. Spaak.

with criticism and bitter hostility. If he left the army to its fate, how could he hope one day to return as liberator.

His father, in 1914, had not had the same choice to make. He had been able to fight a rearguard action to the safety of France, and from that substantial base to rebuild an army, and take over a sector of the long Allied front.

Leopold's decision will be judged by posterity, and the historians will discuss it interminably. But in Belgium, I am told, his position is understood and respected.

**Royal Prisoner**

The young King is now a prisoner in his own castle, the Chateau de Laeken, just outside Brussels. He is allowed few visitors.

He still wears the uniform of Belgian commander-in-chief. He has consistently refused to receive the envoys periodically sent to him by Hitler. He will not lend himself to any attempt to bring Belgium into docile acceptance of her defeat.

Messages undoubtedly reach him from the outside world. They tell him of the silent, indomitable resistance of his people to the invader. They tell him of the loyalty of the immense Belgian Congo, which is now united with French Equatorial Africa in continuing the war against Hitler.

They tell the imprisoned King of the sabotage and subterfuges played on the Nazis in occupied Belgium, of the whispering campaign, the listening campaign, the effect of the B.B.C. broadcasts, and of the newspapers and broadsheets privately printed and passed from hand to hand, and sometimes, no doubt, appearing mysteriously upon the breakfast table of the Nazi Gauleiter in Brussels, as every morning the newspaper of the Free Belgians appeared during the last war on the table of the German Governor-General in the occupied capital.

Meanwhile, the Low Countries have again become, for us in this island, the Pistol pointed at England's heart.

In Antwerp and Rotterdam and in all the Dutch and Belgian canals are being mustered the flat-bottomed boats for Hitler's invasion of Britain.

Behind these cities lie the aerodromes from which we are being bombed by Hitler's bombers.

**Peril Ahead**

When Hitler is defeated, as the last would-be invader of Britain was defeated, can the Low Countries return to their isolation, their dangerous neutrality, expressed to the caprice and the intrigues of another German aggressor?

Can Britain, in her own interests, remain indifferent while the Pistol is again pointed at England's heart?

Listen to M. Henri Spaak. He is the Belgian Foreign Minister. He is a Socialist.

For years he frequented Geneva, an ardent advocate of the League of Nations. After Locarno, he supported Leopold III in advocating a return to the policy of complete neutrality.

"On May 10, 1940," he told me, "Belgium was as united to resist the German attack as she had been in 1914."

"The Belgian army fought bravely and honourably, and its

retreat to the line of the Lys and the Escaut was due rather to the German break-through of the French front on the Belgian and the French waters of the Meuse than to any defeat suffered by itself.

"When the King decided to lay down his arms on May 28, the position of the army was desperate. The front had been pierced at several points. All our reserves had been thrown into the battle. Munitions were beginning to be scarce.

"Our army's freedom of movement was hampered by the enormous number of civilian refugees. The prolongation of the struggle would have led to sacrifices out of all proportion to the military results which were still possible."

So much for the tragic events of the past. Two invasions in a single generation, each time by Germany, each time in violation of a neutrality carried sometimes to extremes.

What of the future of Belgium? Can she return to the policy of isolationism and neutrality?

**New Policy**

Henri Spaak says: "No. The policy of so-called independence has not averted invasion, and we must never forget this profound truth.

"It is also evident that individual efforts at self-defence on the part of the western nations have not proved adequate to save them from disaster.

"We must now realise that when peace is restored—and peace can only come, from the Belgian point of view, with a British victory—Belgium will have to adopt a new foreign policy."

"This new policy cannot be merely a return to the ideas of 1918 and to the policy of the League of Nations. It is not the moment to judge the history of the League, but in my view it was too big, and the obligations imposed upon its members were accordingly too loose and vague.

"We must try to attack the problem from another angle. We must not aim so high, but aim more accurately."

**Economic Ties**

"We must begin building from the bottom, begin with a few nations at a time, nations which are linked together by similar political systems, similar economic necessities.

"Begin with Western Europe, Great Britain, France, Belgium, Holland, and the Scandinavian countries fulfil these requirements. They have a common background of democratic history, of long political experience.

"Let us try to create a political and military alliance between these countries. That seems to me to be the only means of counterbalancing the great power of Germany and its expansionist spirit.

"But it is clear that a political and military alliance, if it is to be solid and lasting, must be completed by economic ties, closer commercial relations.

"Economic prosperity is a matter of life or death for the little countries of Western Europe, over-populated and dependent upon export trade for their very existence. It is hopeless to try to create a political union with a country which has to go elsewhere for its economic support."

**League Idea**

"This political and economic alliance of the Western States might be completed by other regional alliances or understandings, and with these small organisations to serve as a base, a larger and higher organisation, a league of local federations might be attempted, but with less precise obligations and functions than the smaller federations at the base."

"These are Henri Spaak's conceptions of the European problem at this moment. Later, he warned me, he may have to revise them, as we may all have to revise our ideas.

But he is sure of this—that in the future the little States of Europe will have to follow a policy very different from that of the past, and that the Great Powers will have to shoulder heavy responsibilities.

The new Concert of Europe must create a braver and a sweeter music than the old.

**TO-MORROW**

The Riddle of The Balkans



## S'hai Banks Close Up: Fatal Shooting

SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Reuter).—Four Chinese government banks suspended business here this morning. An official of one of the banks told "Reuter": We do not know whether the government banks will reopen for business in the near future.

The Shanghai dollar rate this morning dropped to 3.3/10.

**Value of Dollar**  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Despite a reported improvement in the political atmosphere in Shanghai, following the proposed reorganization of the Municipal Council, banking circles in London do not expect any improvement in the Shanghai dollar in the near future.

Notwithstanding official reassurances, the feeling persists here that it would be foolish for the Chinese Stabilisation Fund to lend active support to the Shanghai dollar until the political and military situation is clarified.

**"Badlands" Killing**  
SHANGHAI, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—A Chinese was shot dead and another seriously wounded early this morning in a terrorist shooting in the "Badlands."

The shooting is reported to have taken place in the dormitory of the Bank of China employees' mess and is believed to be a reprisal for the shooting of an employee of the Central Reserve Bank yesterday.

**Staffs Demand**  
SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Banks have closed down without the knowledge of Chungking, following the early morning murder of two employees of the Bank of China, resulting in the killing of Tsang Yang-fong.

The staffs refused to carry on unless assured of protection for themselves and their families.

## IRON GUARDISTS SENTENCED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Apr. 16 (UP).—It is officially stated that six members of the Iron Guard death squad have been executed, or sentenced to death, after they had confessed to making preparations for the assassination of high dignitaries of the state during the Eastern religious celebrations.

It is stated that they killed the Jewish proprietor of a bookstore just to determine the attitude of the authorities and the reaction of the people, preparatory to their Easter plan.

## FIRE IN TOKYO

TOKYO, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Eight hundred and twenty houses were burned down and 5,000 people rendered homeless by a fire at a town in the Toyama district, 180 miles northwest of Tokyo.

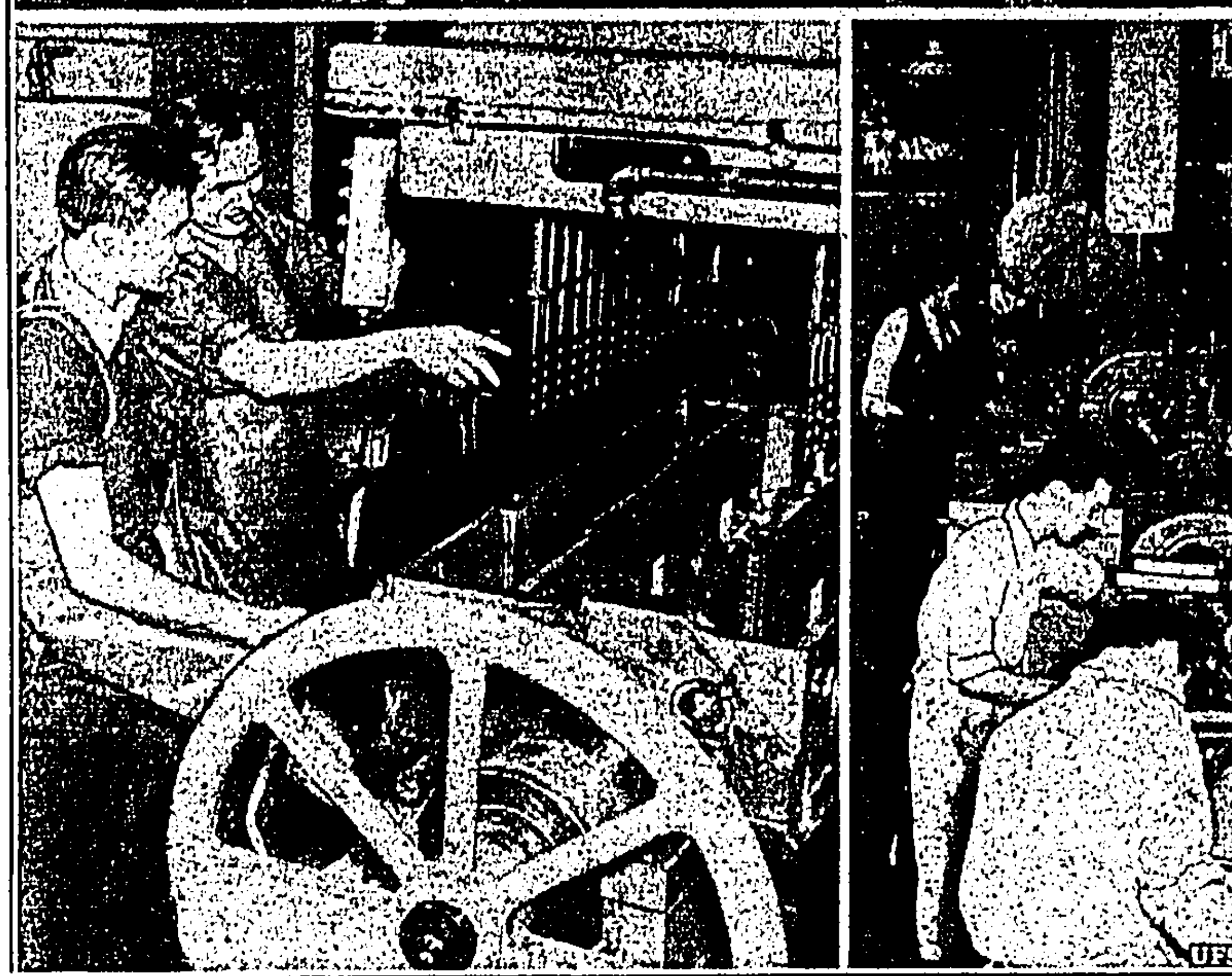
## Vatican & Religion In Germany

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Anti-Catholic activities of Nazi Germany were condemned to-night by the Vatican radio which says that since 1933 the Catholic Church in Germany had lost all its schools, ecclesiastical organisations, and newspapers except for a few weekly papers which were unable to answer the Nazi attacks on the Catholic religion.

Everything was being done to eliminate Catholic teachers from the National Socialist regime. Under a decree just issued, all wishing to enter Holy Orders had first to join a labour camp from which they could not get away without permission. This will be the end of religion in Germany, the announcer commented.

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**APPRENTICES FOR DEFENCE**—Shortage of skilled labour in America has started General Motors on an emergency training programme in which young men are being taught specific operations against the time when 60,000 skilled operators will be needed. The time will be about May 1, when the concern starts running in high on defence orders. Here are scenes from the unique programme:

Top, young trainees watch instructor H. J. Anderson operate cathode ray oscillograph, in Saginaw, Mich., plant, left, Arthur Murphy, Indianapolis Tech graduate, learns to drill split line on aeroplane engine crankcase, at Allison division, near Indianapolis. Right, youngsters hard at it, in Flint, Mich., plant. Programme is carried on simultaneously in 40 of the plants.

## Petain Said Secretly Supporting de Gaulle

"Marshal Petain is a secret supporter of Gen. de Gaulle, leader of the Free French," said Alfred Neumann, a German novelist on arrival in New York from the south of France.

"One day Marshal Petain and Gen. de Gaulle will join forces with the French Commander-in-Chief in French Africa, Gen. Weygand and drive the invaders from France," he says.

"Everywhere in unoccupied France you hear whispers among the French people of a future alliance between the de Gaulle and Weygand forces."

"The French know their salvation rests in Britain, the United States, and in Frenchmen outside France. Gen. de Gaulle appears a saviour to his countrymen locked up in France. They feel convinced that Petain, in his secret heart, prays for de Gaulle's success with British aid."

**London Hopes**  
John Cowles, writing in the "Minneapolis Star Journal," says London hopes that Gen. Weygand and French colonial forces in Africa with much of the French Navy, will soon throw in their lot with Britain. Speaking to Free French supporters in London, Gen. de Gaulle bitterly denounced the Vichy regime. "What luck for Hitler and Mussolini when those who claim to be a French Government also claim their ruling idea is not only to accept defeat but also to support their victors," he said. "What luck for Hitler when orders from Vichy neutralised the second largest navy in Europe."

## Briton Thanks "Red Eagles"

The "Red Eagles" of London (American Home Guards) received recently a large bronze plaque bearing the American Eagle and the inscription: "The seal of our country, U.S.A." Only clue to the sender was a card: "Presented to the 1st American Motorised Squadron Home Guard by an Englishman in remembrance of 'ho happy years spent in the U.S.A. Good luck to you all.' The plaque was hung on the wall of the "Red Eagles" headquarters.

## Substitute For Gasoline

LONDON, April 16 (UP).—A scheme whereby coal tar oil, such as creosote, will replace gasoline for commercial vehicles is to be introduced shortly. Tons of petroleum spirit saved in this way will be available to the fighting services.

## GIRL IS RADIO PIRATE

A NEW pirate radio operated, it is believed, by a girl and a band of young engineers, is telling Italy the truth about the defeats in Libya and Albania. Ovra, the Italian secret police, are trying to track down these new "Freedom" broadcasters.

### The Secret

The secret of their success, so far, in avoiding detection appears to lie in the operators' mobility. They apparently use portable transmitters to broadcast from different points in the country. The girl has been heard as an announcer. One speaker said: "The Duce may be in power, but women, young men have guns, they can sabotage factories, paralyse transport. 'Every shell that falls to explode is a shot in the heart of our enemies—the Fascists.'"

## Clinics To Mend Broken Limbs

Clinics to mend broken limbs are to be established throughout Britain. The methods to be used were developed in a German military hospital when plaster of paris ran out during the last war.

The usual treatment is to encase a fractured arm or leg in plaster and strap it to the bed, sling it up, or use some other type of splint which prevents the patient working it. Dr. Lorenz Bohler, faced by a shortage of medical supplies, had to enclose broken arms and legs less rigidly, and the encouraged patients to exercise them and promote good circulation to prevent stiffness and swelling.

He discovered that most people are not as ill as they feel. In his tough-and-ready hospital, patients who would normally have been lying on their backs had to bustle around and do much of the housework and nursing.

## Wedding Air Sung By Count

"THE Voice that has Thrilled the World" was heard at a London wedding recently, at which both the bridegroom and the officiating priest were descendants of men who fell at Flodden.

Count John McCormack was the singer.

The marriage of the Master of Semill to Cecilia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs B. E. Dunbar-Kilburn, of Sandford St Martin, Oxfordshire, was performed by the Very Rev. Father J. Phillip Valentin, of Chelsea, at St James Church, Spanish-place, W.

### An Old Friend

On his mother's side Father Valentin is descended from James IV of Scotland, who fell at Flodden in 1513 by the side of Sir John Semill, ancestor of the bridegroom.

Count McCormack, an old friend of Lord Semill, sang Cesar Franck's "Pavane Anglaise," the same aria he sang at his own daughter's wedding eight years ago.

Lord Semill, who is 47, was previously married to the only daughter of the late Sir John Lavery, and was widowed six years ago.

The wedding ceremony was one of the most colourful seen in London since the war.

The bridegroom—a well-known airman—was dressed in the kilt of his ancient house, with a row of medal ribbons on his tight-fitting red velvet tunic.

An address was given during the wedding by Archbishop Godfrey, the Apostolic Delegate for Britain.

**THE WARRIOR AND THE WARNING**  
Mohammadu, 68-year-old Emir of Jemna, a district in Northern Nigeria, was elected by more than 33,000 people and stretching more than 1,000 square miles, was in his youth a famous warrior.

Recently he heard a bugle call from the police lines. It was meant as a warning, but the Emir was taking no chances. He had heard of air raid sirens. Without waiting to summon any servants or officials, he snatched up his sword, a bow and quiver of arrows, and ran up the road to look for the attacking plane, prepared to have a crack at any enemy that came within range.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

**BANKS**  
H.K. Banks \$.....1,345 sa.  
H.K. Banks (H.K.) \$.....75 n.  
H.K. Banks (H.K.) \$.....78 1/2 n.  
Chartered \$.....8 1/2 n.  
Mercantile, A. & B. \$.....21 1/2 n.  
Mercantile C. & \$.....10 1/2 n.  
East Asia \$.....70 b.

**INSURANCES**  
Cantons \$.....222 1/2 sa.  
Union \$.....430 s. & sa.  
China Underwriters \$.....1 n.  
H.K. Fire \$.....187 n.

**SHIPPING**  
Douglas \$.....135 n.  
Steamboats \$.....8 1/4 n.  
Indo-China P. \$.....80 b.  
Indo-China D. \$.....60 n.  
Shell (Bearers) \$.....41/3 n.  
Waterboats \$ x.d. ....6.55 n.

**DOCKS ETC.**  
Wharves \$.....80 sa.  
Docks \$.....16 n.  
Providentia \$.....5.10 sa.  
Shai Dockyards \$.....24 1/2 n.

**MINING**  
Kallan \$ x.d. ....15/- n.  
Raub's \$.....8 n.  
H.K. Mines \$.....1 1/4 cts. n.

**LANDS**  
Hotels \$ x.d. ....3 n.  
Lands \$.....33 1/4 n.  
Lands 4% Debentures .....97 1/2 n.  
Shai Lands Sh. \$.....11.80 n.  
Humphreys \$.....6.80 n.  
H.K. Realities \$.....3.10 n.  
Chinese Estates \$......99 n.

**UTILITIES**  
Trams \$.....10 1/2 s.  
Peaks Trams (old) \$.....7 1/2 n.  
Peak Trams (new) \$.....3 1/2 n.  
Star Ferries \$.....52 n.  
Y. Ferries \$.....23 1/4 n.  
China Lights (old) .....6.20 n.  
China Lights (new) .....1.70 n.  
Lights Rts .....60 cts.  
H.K. Electric (old) x. rts. 26.20 n.  
H.K. Electric (new) .....25 1/4 n.  
H.K. Electric Rts .....15 n.  
Macao Electric (old) \$.....18 1/2 n.  
Macao Electric (new) \$.....17 1/2 n.  
Sundkan Lights \$.....12 n.  
Telephones (old) \$.....23 1/4 n.  
Telephones (new) \$......9 1/4 n.

**INDUSTRIALS**  
Cald: Macg. (Ord.) Sh. \$......30 n.  
Cald: Macg. (Pref.) Sh. \$......25 n.  
Canton Ices \$......1 n.  
Cements \$ x.d. ....10 n.  
H.K. Ropes \$.....7 1/4 sa.

**STORES, &c.**  
Dairy Forms \$.....17 1/4 n.  
Watsons \$.....9.80 a.  
Lane Crawfords \$.....7 1/4 n.  
Sinceres \$.....2.15 n.  
Wing On (H.K.) \$......39 n.  
Powell Ltd. \$.....1.90 n.

**COTTON MILLS**  
Ewo Sh. \$.....41 1/4 n.  
Shai Cotton Sh. \$.....200 n.

**MISC.**  
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934) .....97 n.  
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940) .....94 1/2 n.  
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940) .....94 n.  
Ch Govt 5% 1925 GSBDs .....28 n.  
H.K. Entertainments \$......0 1/2 n.  
Constructions (old) \$.....1.60 n.  
Constructions (new) \$......1 n.  
Vibro Piling \$.....7.20 n.  
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) \$/- .....6/3 n.  
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) \$/- .....2/6 n.

## Coal Strike Over

NEW YORK, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Most of the closed soft coal mines in the United States will reopen soon following an announcement that the United Mine Workers' Congress of Industrial Organisations and coal operators had reached an agreement in the dispute over wages.

## War Prisoners In South Africa

CAPETOWN, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—A further batch of 2,500 Italian prisoners, including officers, have landed at a port in the Union of South Africa today. Enemy prisoners now in the Union total 10,000.

## War Materials On Axis Ships In Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Certain war materials have been found on some of the Italian ships in Mexican harbours which had been taken over by the Mexican Government. It was disclosed by the officer in charge of the Mexican units now controlling the vessels. The exact nature of the materials is not disclosed.

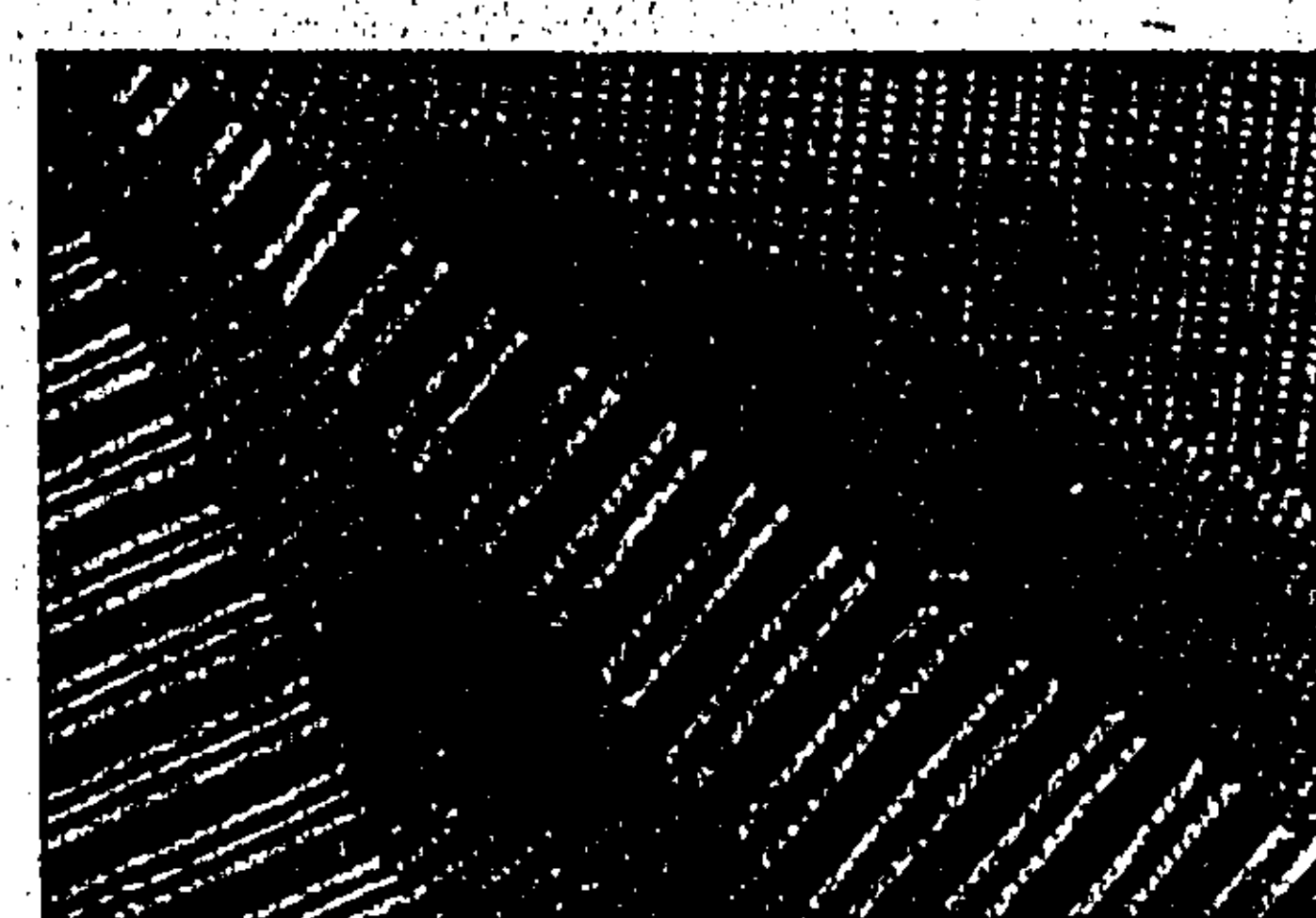
## Food For France

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Two French ships provided with British navicerts are leaving New York to-morrow for Marseilles with 13,500 tons of United States flour for unoccupied France.

## Steel Prices Fixed

NEW YORK, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—An order freezing steel prices at the level that prevailed in the first quarter has been issued by Mr. Leon Anderson, American Price Administrator.

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# "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

## Common Faults Of Most Players

### Selfishness And Mistakes In Dribbling And Passing Avoid One-handed Play

**NO ONE** can play hockey by himself, but only as a member of a team; play, therefore, with your team. Hanging on to the ball, no matter how expert a dribbler you may be, upsets the balance and weakens effectiveness.

A common mistake with beginners, and one which is difficult to cure once it has become a habit, is one-handed play. There can be neither accuracy in hitting nor control in dribbling unless both hands are kept on the stick.

But perhaps the commonest fault of all is that of hitting to the left. The stick is so made that in its normal position it is held on the right-hand side of the body, consequently the easiest direction in which to hit the ball is to the left; this by swinging the stick slightly across the body.

Backs and halves are special offenders in this respect, frequently clearing to the left when there is ample time—by a simple manoeuvre—to hit to the right. Unless this tendency is constantly corrected, it results in an unbalanced attack, overworking the left wing and starving the right. It is all the more important to correct this fault, for the attack is more easily made from the right than the left.

#### Blind Passing & Hitting

**BLIND** passing and hitting is due to a failure to look up and see how the field is placed. It is not always possible to take one's eyes off the ball, but a player should find it possible to form a mental picture of the position of the field so that he may know more or less where and when to direct his pass.

This can be improved by a more upright stance in playing, for one who holds his body in a crouch cannot see beyond a radius of a few yards.

#### Neglect of Marking

**MANY** a side has been beaten because the defence has failed to adequately mark the opposing forwards, and this fault can be generally traced to lack of understanding between the halves and backs.

There are exceptions to the rule, but the main principle is this:

Wing halves should mark the wing forwards, and the centre half the centre forward, leaving the backs to care for the inside-forwards.

A frequent fault is the wing half moving in to tackle the inner man, leaving the outer man on his own and unhindered.

## Random Jottings

### A Few Suggestions For Umpires Association

SINCE the League has now come to an end and several complaints have been made and thrown at the Umpires, I would like to make the following suggestions, and I hope the officials will be in a sufficiently jovial mood to accept them:

- (1) The Umpires Association should provide umpires with rain-coats and goggles for wet days.
- (2) Provide free consultation with an oculist for umpires suspected of suffering from astigmatism or any other deficiency of sight. (The oculists will have a busy time!)
- (3) Cards to be printed and posted to all Clubs stating "The Umpires may be blind but their hearing is alright, so be careful."
- (4) That captains be instructed in courtesy towards the officials in the extension of a vote of thanks or, possibly, an invitation to a drink after the game.

**THE H.K.H.A.** Six-a-side Tournament will take place on Sunday, April 27, instead of April 20 as previously stated. Entries will close in a week's time.

#### Tournament Tennis

## Rumjahn Cousins Enter Open Doubles Final

### K. H. Yip Offers Opposition

(By "Tinker")

**THE RUMJAHN COUSINS**, for the *n*th time of their career, have entered the final of the Colony Open Doubles Tennis Championship. Yesterday, on the Stand Court, they beat K. H. Yip and Ho Ka-lau in four sets by 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

They encountered steady opposition throughout, especially from Yip, to whose cool tactics and play, Ho owed much and it is not an exaggeration to state that had Yip had steeper support from his partner the champions would have been in grave danger of being beaten.

Of the Rumjahn cousins, H.D. was far the stender. Sirdar was patchy. Though brilliant at times, especially in his retrieving, his overhead work was most unreliable.

But for all four players, the most noticeable feature lacking was a "killing" shot at the net. There were smashes down the sidelines that took points, but there were far more occasions when a good angle shot would have saved a considerable amount of work and trouble.

Sirdar's overhead weakness made itself apparent in the opening set, but neither Yip nor Ho had sufficiently settled down to take advantage of the fact. The Rumjahns led 3-0 before the Chinese pair took a game and they then climbed to 4-3. The well-known combination, however, made itself felt and the Rumjahns took the next two games for the set.

#### Opportunity Lost

**GAMES** followed service in the second set, and the Chinese having served first led at 3-2. They then broke through their opponents' service to lead 4-2. The next game was their opportunity, but Sirdar compensated for many of his earlier faults with some brilliant retrieving shots to turn the tide in their favour.

The Rumjahns took four games in a row against steady opposition. Ho came in for a barrage of concentrated shots, and though Yip was ever ready to step into any breach he was not given the opportunity.

The lack of understanding between the Chinese players was most apparent during this set. Gaps down the centre were ex-



The Y.M.C.A. Hockey XI, which has just concluded a most successful season. Standing: L. F. Coombe, J. T. K. Gilchrist, A. Gemmell, A. Fanney, V. M. Benwell, L. W. R. Macey, W. Ure, F. A. Olsson and D. T. Smith. Seated: W. Ireson, E. W. Railton, E. Youriff and D. Grant.—Ming Yuen.

## Club de Recreio Win H.K.H.A. Tournament

**FOR THE FIRST TIME** in the history of the Club, Recreio won the Hongkong Hockey Association Tournament when they defeated Khalsa 1-0 at King's Park last Monday in a most interesting game.

Two grand defences toiled on a fast pitch, and only a great penalty corner goal gave Recreio the championship. Zinho Gosano played a fine game at full back; appropriate, then, that he should provide that dramatic winner of a terrific drive from a short corner hit.

Khalsa fought gamely in the closing minutes, but their forwards were without the inspiration of bygone matches. They slogged away but were foiled by a defence that knitted together solidly at the slightest sign of danger.

In the estimation of many, the Indians were unlucky to lose by the only goal.

#### Fast Exchanges

**FAST** exchanges featured the first half, but poor shooting of the home forwards was evident. Recreio, in particular, missed two glorious chances with only Souza at his mercy. With the exception of G. Gosano, inside right, the Recs' forwards were far below par.

Khalsa defence, with M. H. Haseen at pivot, tackled soundly and hit cleanly, and some of their stickwork had the opposing forwards nonplussed. But here also the forwards did not reach to their usual standard.

Tony Alves paid particular attention to the Gurbachan-Karninder Singh combination, and at the interval Recreio were slightly on top with no goals scored.

#### Khalsa Play Well

**IT** has to be said here that Khalsa were the better team in the second half. Their defence tackled strongly and they generally gave a display worthy of champions.

There were "incidents" in this half, but the umpires realised the tenseness of the struggle, and had the game well in hand. The trouble soon blew over, though play did not quite regain its previous sparkle.

There were, however, thrills in that second half when Khalsa gave the impression of being the more likely to score.

B. Gosano broke through ten minutes before the end, but missed his mark when well within the circle. Souza in goal was on top of his form, and when threatened gave nothing away.

#### The Deciding Goal

**FINALLY**, a few minutes from the end, G. Gosano got within shooting range but was badly obstructed by Mohinder Singh. A short corner was awarded, and Z. Gosano made no mistake from the resultant hit.

Thereafter, Recreio found no means of penetrating the solid Khalsa defence, and though the visitors retaliated, they likewise faced a stone-wall defence.

#### Well Supported

**RECREIO'S** forwards, though discomfited by little stickwork, were always fast and were well supported by fine half backs, W. A. Reed and A. M. Alves, in particular, being outstanding.

Khalsa's defence was sound. U. B. Souza in goal was excellent, and their halves—Bhac Singh, M. H. Hassan and M. Singh—imparted a good deal of speed to the attack which was drab and unenterprising.

Contributions to the Club do Recreio. They have been through the Tournament with only two draws and no defeats. A record in fact.

The game was well controlled by Messrs V. M. Benwell and Tyan.

#### Fanling Golf

## Match Play Stages For Adamson Cup

The following is the draw for the Match Play stages of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Adamson Cup Competition, the first round of which will be held on May 4, the second (semi-final) on May 18 and the final on June 1:

G. F. Willerton (12) receives bye into second round.

G. W. Reeve (11) v. W. Stoker (13); A. E. Clark (11) v. S. T. Butler (10).

F. Buckle (12) receives bye into second round.

The first player in each match is the challenger and is responsible for fixing the date. Handicaps as above throughout.

## Easter Golf Results

The Bogey Par Pool over the Old Course at Fanling during the Easter holidays attracted 43 entries and was won by G. M. Park (6), who was one up.

The Medal Round had 33 entries and was won by J. G. Jensen, who had a card of 90-14=76. Park who had a card of 76-6=70, won the Bogey Pool.

The Bogey Par Pool over the New Course attracted 25 entries and was won by J. Hockney (14), who was one down. The Mixed Bogey competition was cancelled.

A sum of \$50 collected from entrance fees has been donated to the S. C. M. Post Bomber Fund.

## Macao Hockey Visitors Beaten

A scratch Colony hockey team, comprising players from Central British Association, Police and Recreio, beat Macao Lyceum 2-0 on the C.B.A. ground yesterday.

The local team opened scoring in the first half when Taylor converted a short-corner. Yvanovich broke clean through in the second half to add the second goal.

The game was extremely scrappy in parts.

The local team was—T. L. Lockhart (C.B.A.), J. E. Gonsalves (Recreio), A. M. Xavier (Macao), J. Heywood (Police), C. Gough (Police), A. M. Alves (Recreio), P. Yvanovich (Recreio), D. Taylor (C.B.A.), N. D. Whitely (C.B.A.), J. Fonseca (Recreio), A. Odell (C.B.A.).

## "Y" Billiards Meeting

At a meeting of the European Y.M.C.A. Billiards Section yesterday a plan for more inter-Club competitions during the coming summer was made. It was also decided to recommend to the Board that two of the tables be renovated.

Mr C. Terran was in the chair and was supported by Messrs L. H. de Cozier, C. T. Champelovier, R. Goldman, E. W. Railton (Asst Secretary of the Association), F. Willis (Service Secretary) and H. Neubronner (Billiards Secretary).

The Y.M.C.A. championship, which is open to the Army Area Sports Board, will be held before the official closure of the Winter Programme.

## To-day's Tennis

To-day's Stand Court match will be:

E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung v. Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui.

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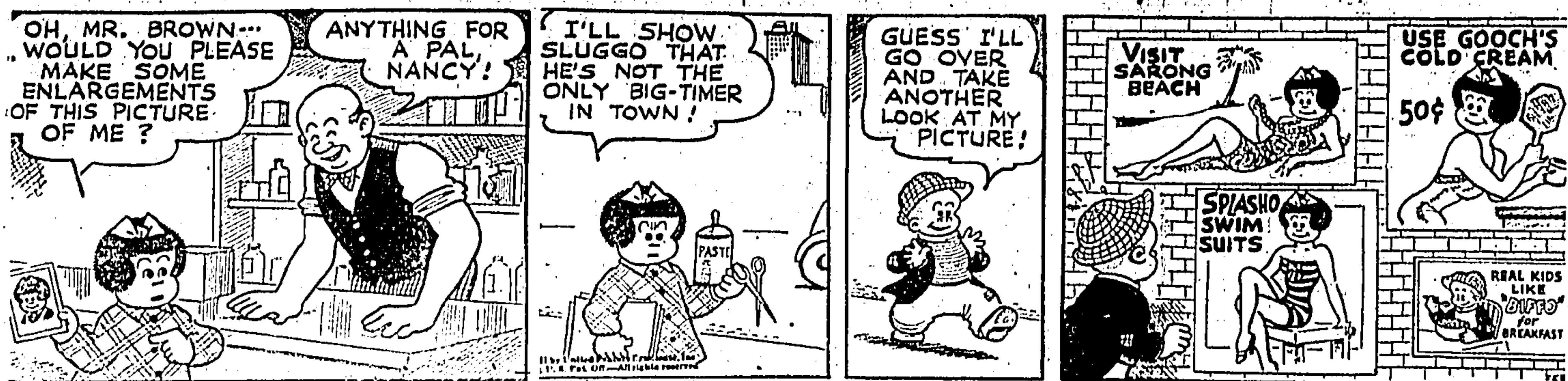
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# NANCY



## Liquidation of British Firms in United States

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Mr. Jesse Jones, Federal Loan Administrator, announced that a loan of \$40,000,000 would be granted to Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation "in line with the United States Government to require liquidation of British-owned American investments for the purpose of providing funds for the purchase of shipping in this country."

Brown and Williamson will apply \$15,000,000 to liquidate their domestic indebtedness and will turn over the remainder to the parent company, the British American Tobacco Company, which in turn will hand this sum to the British Government to pay for purchases of war materials.

Mr. Jones said that the net proceeds of the loan are estimated to be what the net realisable sum would be to the British owners if these investments in the United States were sold outright or if the companies were liquidated.

This is the first instance of aid by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in the liquidation of British investments.

The R.F.C. retains its ownership of all Brown & Williamson stock which is being pledged with the R.F.C. as security.

## HUNGRY DOGS IN TOKYO

### Serious Menace

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Apr. 16 (Domei).—Warning that cases of ferocious attacks upon children carrying candy and women with packages by stray dogs had increased alarmingly recently in Tokyo, the Police Department asked all citizens to co-operate in ridding the city of such canines.

Twenty cases of persons bitten by dogs were reported to the Police Board's veterinary section in a single day. With more than 10,000 stray and unlicensed canines in Tokyo, the local force of dog-catchers cannot cope with the situation adequately. Although during the last four months, 6,782 dogs were picked up by Tokyo's three groups of dog catchers, the personnel of canine chasers is inadequate to nab the agile canines.

## Oil Factory Destroyed

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The Norwegian Admiralty in London today revealed the name of the place on the Norwegian coast that was successfully raided on Saturday last. It was Ok Fjord near Hammerfest. The statement adds that the object of the raid was to destroy the fish-oil factory, the output of which was being taken by the Germans, and which was of great importance in the manufacture of explosives.

All machinery of the factory was destroyed. There was no interference from German troops, aircraft or warships.

## Pacific Talks In U. S. A.

### Shipping Concern

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The British and Australian Ministers conferred at the State Department today.

The Far East is stated to have been the main subject discussed.

Mr. Neville Butler, the British Minister, who saw Mr. Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, afterwards told the press that shipping in the Pacific was among the subjects dealt with.

The report says that the whole of the Japanese forces in South China are now being reorganised for the possible southward penetration and that more than 20 Japanese submarines have appeared in South China waters and have extended activities to the Bay of Bengal.

It is further stated that Japanese troops in Hainan, an island off the coast of Indo-China, have been impressing able-bodied Chinese workers to form a South China Sea Transport Corps.

## PETAIN BRUSH WITH DARLAN Stops Removal Of Warships

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Marshal Petain, according to reports, reaching Washington, recently thwarted Admiral Darlan when the latter attempted one of his anti-British programmes.

These reports, which are confirmed from two high sources, declare that Marshal Petain, having learned accidentally that Admiral Darlan had given orders for French Fleet units, including the battleship Dunkerque, to be moved from North Africa to Toulon, summoned Admiral Darlan to give an explanation.

Admiral Darlan is stated to have replied evasively and then to have launched into an anti-British tirade. Marshal Petain thereupon issued special written instructions forbidding the movement of any French warship without his prior knowledge.

## What Hitler Loses In Balkans

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—In a special commentary in New York on April 14, Anne McCormick, the columnist, says, "The Balkan campaign is costing Hitler more than it will be worth if he wins. What will Germany gain on this peninsula that she did not have before? The Balkans may lose a toe hold on the Continent which will not affect the outcome of the war."

"The Yugo-Slavs and the Greeks may suffer what they suffered yesterday and come back stronger than ever. But the Germans are paying heavily for what they expected would be delivered gratis."

"The most that the Nazis can win is two more hostile populations to police, more sabotage and reduced supplies. The labour that served them before has been diverted to fighting, and damaged towns, railways and airfields will take a month to repair."

## Donations To Bomber Fund Chinese Seamen

A total of \$1,750,427.40 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd. with the following donations:

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All communications and contributions may be sent to the Headquarters, 94, Jordan Road, 1st floor, Yaumatei, Kowloon. All cheques and money orders should be crossed and made payable to the Christian Mission to Chinese Seamen. Please state whether for General, Good Samaritan or Building Funds.

## Alexandria Evacuation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ZURICH, Apr. 16 (UP).—Rad's Rome announced a dispatch from Istanbul this evening saying that the civil evacuation of Alexandria has commenced and it is believed that the populace is leaving for Port Said.

## Hupei Mountain Warfare

FANCHENG, Apr. 16 (Central News).—Intense fighting is raging on the southern slope of the Tahung mountain range in central Hupei. A Chinese regiment regained Ching Feng Shan, a strategic hill, on the morning of April 13. In the afternoon the Japanese called in more than 1,000 reinforcements and made a counter-attack with the support of bombing planes and artillery. A bloody engagement ensued.

At noon on April 14 a Japanese contingent of about 1,000 men invaded Kottienpo, Tungchichang and Fengchuanling. Fighting raged until evening fell. After a brief lull, the Chinese launched a counter-attack under cover of darkness and repulsed the enemy from several points. The contending forces are still holding out against each other near Kottienpo.

Another Japanese unit of about 1,000 men pushing toward the southeastern slope of the Tahung mountain range is intercepted by the Chinese at Kuchengang and its neighbourhood.

## Wedding In Macao

Two Popular Members Of Community

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

MACAO, Apr. 16.—At a colourful nuptial ceremony in the Church of Penha, Miss Maria Antonietta, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Carlos Pinto, became the bride of Dr Alberto, son of Mr Jose Jorge and late Mrs Jorge. Both families are well known and highly esteemed in the community and the married pair are extremely popular.

The bride was exquisitely gowned in white chiffon velvet and from her headpiece garlanded with orange blossoms, cascaded a lace veil. She carried a bouquet of arum lilies.

Her four bridesmaids were the Misses Alice and Leonor da Silva, Miss Natercia Lobo and Miss Leticia Mello who looked attractive in pink and blue organdie. The four little flower girls were daintily attired in dresses of delicate tulle, while Master Proença, the page boy, was clad in blue velvet. The bride's mother was becomingly dressed in wine red.

H.E. the Bishop of Macao, Dr. Jose da Costa Nunes, officiated at the marriage service and Mr Gualdi was at the organ. The wedding music was rendered by Mme Artur Borges.

At the reception held in the home of the bridegroom's father after the ceremony, Dr. E. Mascarenhas, Judge of Macao, proposed the toast to the bridal pair. The guests included Dr and Mrs Gonçes dos Santos, Mr and Mrs H. Nolasco, Lieut and Mrs Botelho de Souza, Mr and Mrs C. Vasconcellos, Lieut and Mrs Proença, Dr and Mrs Mascarenhas, Mr P. J. Lobo, Mr and Mrs Lo Yu-sek and many others.

## Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Shanghai	455
T.T. Singapore	52 3/4
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/4
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	48 3/4
T.T. Batavia	45 3/4
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	104 1/2
T.T. France	—
T.T. Switzerland	102 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/2
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25
4 m/s France	—
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4 02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4 01 3/4

## BELGO-SOVIET BARTER PACT Blockade Result

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Agreement whereby Russia will supply Belgium in the next twelve months with very substantial quantities of wheat and fats has been reached in Moscow today, "Reuter" learns in London.

This agreement was presumably reached with German approval and will go far towards meeting the food shortage in Belgium, which is suffering more than any other western country.

The Russo-Belgian agreement is held in British authorities circles as justifying the official view that the blockade must be applied to Germany-occupied countries, firstly because the responsibility of feeding them is Germany's, and secondly because British business has evidently resulted in the Russo-Belgian agreement which deprives Germany of supplies which she would otherwise have had.

It is understood that Belgium in return will supply Russia with engineering products.

## STOCK EXCHANGE Anglo-Egyptians Fall

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange ruled very quiet with price movements narrowly irregular. Operations were inclined to mark time in view of the uncertain war news.

Gilt-edged home rails tended to be easier, but industrial stocks were well maintained, and oils were steady, apart from a half-crown fall in Anglo-Egyptians to £4 2s. 6d.

Foreign bonds were easier with declines recorded in Chinese, Japanese, Brazilian and Egyptian bonds. Wall Street was very quiet.

## Magyar Jackals' Advance

BERLIN, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The progress of the Hungarian invasion of Yugo-Slavia is recorded in a High Command communique issued from Budapest, which states "Our troops to-day occupied the south-west portion of trans-Danubia up to the Croat frontier."

"Mopping up of the region between the Danube and Tisza rivers, and the enumeration of war prisoners and booty is proceeding."

"According to present indications, the number of prisoners total 15,000 and is increasing. The booty includes about 100 guns and other very valuable material."

### State of War

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt proclaimed today that a state of war exists between Hungary and Yugo-Slavia, and added that Hungary attacked Yugo-Slavia "without justification."

The effect of the proclamation is to place these two nations under the United States neutrality regulations.

## Queen Marie Speaks For Country

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—"Have faith in Yugo-Slavia and in my son and all will be well in the end," said Queen Marie of Yugo-Slavia to "Reuter" when interviewed today in her 13th century cottage.

The Queen declared that King Peter took the decision to fight rather than surrender without consulting her, but his decision was not unexpected to her seeing that he always placed his country's interests before everything.

The Queen, who was lying on a couch wrapped in a rug, said she was sorry that illness had prevented her from being at her son's side, and sharing his hardships while their country was fighting for its life.

She had been a little worried when for a week she heard no news from King Peter, but after Belgrade had been bombed she heard he was well and safe.

## Mackenzie King At White House

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Mackenzie King, who is expected here to-day, has been invited to tea at the White House by President Roosevelt. Over tea, it is expected that the two statesmen will hold a highly important conference bearing upon war problems.

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That's how the old swash-buckler Hermann Goering fancies himself since it has been "discovered" that he has the blood of Britain's Royal Family in his veins.

According to the "Hamburger Tageblatt," he is related to King George VI. This is how the newspaper works it out:

Our King is descended from Henry II of England;

Henry II's daughter, Princess Matilda, was the second wife of William, one of the three sons of Henry the Lion, Duke of Bavaria and Saxony, and from this marriage, Hermann Goering is directly descended.

### Why Bother?

The College of Arms states that it is not bothering to investigate the claim, although there appears to be no reason why it should not be true.

In any case, as the Nazis profess complete contempt for the British, it is difficult to understand how Goering can boast of what should logically be considered a "blot on his family escutcheon!"

## Great Battle Of Macedonia

→ FROM PAGE ONE

says a British War Office communiqué.

Heavy fighting, however, is taking place in more than one sector of the allied line.

### Patrols Active

CAIRO, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Operations in Greece referred to in to-day's British G.H.Q. communiqué consist mainly of "feeling forward" by the Germans who are endeavouring to ascertain the position of the British forces by means of patrols, these circles stated.

There are no signs yet of a major attack.

### Berlin Statement

BERLIN, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Rumours current abroad of negotiations being conducted for the cessation of hostilities in the Balkans are not confirmed by political circles here, said a Wehrmachtspokesman in Berlin to-day.

The semi-official statesman continues "it is doubtful whether there are any quarters in Serbia which would be able to negotiate an authoritative agreement on this score. Military events in Serbia have entered a stage where an armistice is out of the question as the Serbian army, as such, is completely annihilated."

Cricket

## Junior League Champions v. Rest

To bring the Second Division League season to a close, a Champions (K.C.C.) v. the Rest match has been arranged for Sunday next. The game will be played at the K.C.C. starting at 2 p.m. sharp. The Champions will be represented by: S. A. Gray (capt.), E. Curtis, K. M. Buxter, T. A. Madar, W. L. Hatpey, C. A. Goodman, W. C. Hume, G. E. Taylor, R. J. Fenton, H. Brokenshire and W. W. Parsons, with L. R. Burch as twelfth man, and B. Leigh as umpire.

The Rest team will be announced in due course.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says:

A few H.K. Banks changed hands at \$1,345, Unions at \$430, Cantons at \$222½, Wharves at \$80 and Ropes at \$7½, China Lights Rights at 60 cents.

### Buyers

Bank of East Asia \$70  
 Indo-China (Pref.) \$80  
 Wharves \$85.60  
 Lights "O" \$6  
 Entertainments \$6.50

### Sellers

H.K. Banks \$1,355  
 Watsons \$9.60

### Sales

H.K. Banks \$1,345  
 Canton Ins. \$222.50  
 Union Ins. \$430  
 Wharves \$80  
 Trams \$10.25  
 Lights Rts 60 cents.  
 Ropes \$7.25

## LATE NEWS



LAUNCHES STAMPS—Douglas Fairbanks, film star, buys first sheet of China Emergency Relief stamps, as stamp campaign is launched in New York. Soller is Joy Homer, author, and daughter of singer Louise Homer.

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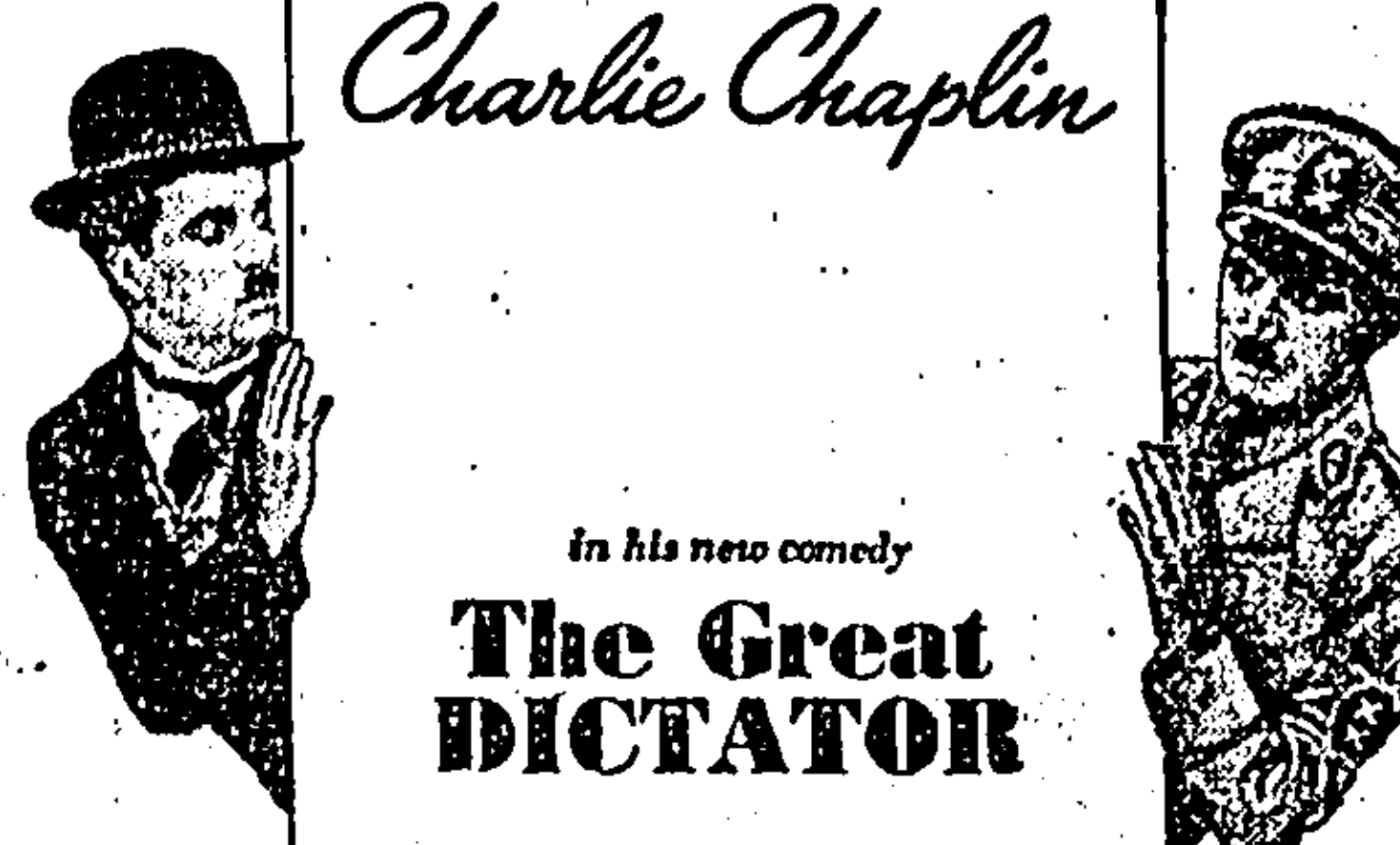
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# Our Men March To Meet Nazi Panzers

## Great Battle In Libya Due

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (UP).—The second Libyan campaign upon which the fate of Britain's whole Balkans and Mediterranean position depends is about to begin.  
Thousands of Imperial troops, fresh from their conquests in East Africa, are marching through blinding sandstorms in the Western Desert to the Libyan front in an attempt to stem the desert blitzkrieg which is threatening Alexandria and the Suez Canal.  
English, Scots, Australians and Indians, who swept the Duke of Aosta's armies from Italian and British Somaliland and the Eritrea mountains, are eager to come to grips with the German Panzers.

**Grotesque Picture**  
Most of them are wearing wide, tight goggles covering their eyes, and handkerchiefs, scarves, and muffers wound tightly over their mouths and noses to protect them from the worst sandstorms the Western Desert has experienced for a long time.  
Others have donned gas masks, giving the straggling columns a grotesque appearance as they plod steadily forward along the track which, in many places have disappeared in clouds of swirling dust. These reinforcements, released as a result of the virtual collapse of Italian resistance in East Africa, will join the covering forces which the Italians and Germans took by surprise in Cirenaica and hurried back 400 miles to the Egyptian frontier.

**Italians Surrender**  
**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (UP).—Military circles to-day report that the British in Libya have successfully attacked the rear of an enemy position in the Capuzzo area where enemy vehicles were shelled.  
The Italians surrendered at Obbia, Italian Somaliland, 320 miles up the coast from Mogadishio. British patrols, flying over the region of Gadda, 300 miles north of Obbia, saw white flags displayed everywhere.  
Observers warned that the German push in Libya is not yet exhausted or finished, and while emphasizing that there were communication difficulties, they suggested that the Germans have overcome them.

**Situation In Abyssinia**  
They added, "Italian forces are now gradually concentrating in three Abyssinian areas, Dessie, Gondar and Jimma. It is roughly estimated that there are 10,000 Italian troops and 12,000 native troops in the Dessie district; 8,000 Italian and 9,000 natives in the Gondar region and 22,000 Italians and 15,000 natives in the Jimma region."  
Enemy pressure is increasing in Greece with the fierce German attacks, but there are no grounds for the statement issued from Ankara that the Germans had broken through. Reports that the British were evacuating Greece were also ridiculed. There is no confirmation that the Yugo-Slavs have captured Durazzo and re-captured Skopje.  
**Libyan Campaign Halted**  
CAIRO, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—The Libyan situation has been stationary for the last four days, according to well-informed circles here.  
While patrol activity continues in the Sollum area on the Egyptian border there has been occasional TURN to Back Page, Column 3

# ITALIAN CONVOY WIPED OUT IN MEDITERRANEAN

## EIGHT VESSELS SUNK

**Special to the "Telegraph"**  
LONDON, APR. 16 (UP).—IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED BY THE ADMIRALTY THAT FIVE ITALIAN SUPPLY SHIPS AND THREE DESTROYERS HAVE BEEN SUNK BETWEEN SICILY AND TRIPOLI.  
THE ANNOUNCEMENT STATED THAT A SOUTHBOUND ENEMY CONVOY CONSISTING OF FIVE SHIPS, ESCORTED BY THREE DESTROYERS WAS INTERCEPTED AND ANNIHILATED BETWEEN SICILY AND TRIPOLI LAST NIGHT.

# Strategic Bridge Destroyed

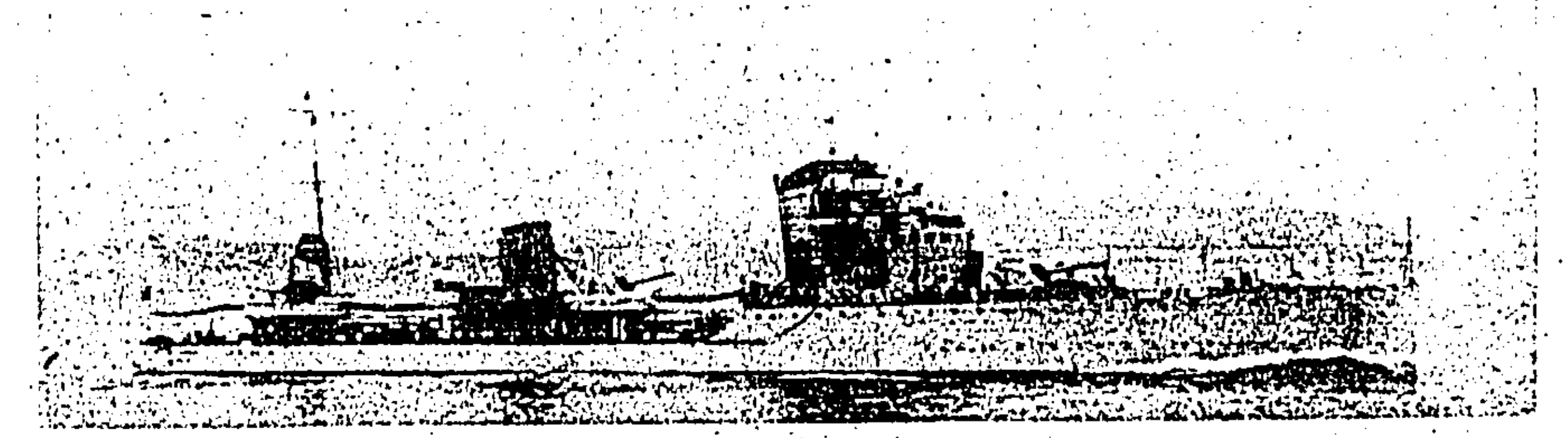
**R.A.F.'s Feat At Veles**  
ATHENS, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—The German army is being held in the centre as the result of the successful bombing by the Royal Air Force of the bridge across the Vardar river at Veles.

The story of how hell-diving British bombers carried out this hazardous task shows that the exploit ranks with other epic attacks on strategic points in this war such as that on the bridge at Maastricht on the Western Front.  
In one respect it differs from similar feats of heroism as all the British airmen returned safely. The British pilots knew when they took off for this night's raid that the bridge at Veles was the communication key in the centre of southern Serbia and would be strongly defended.  
Searchlights stabbed the sky and German anti-aircraft batteries hurled tons of explosives into the air when the British planes arrived over the target but not one attacking bomber was even scratched.  
One pilot ran the gauntlet four times before he was satisfied that his bombs "could be released" with the greatest effect. His stick of bombs struck the bridge and demolished it and a second stick fell on the adjacent railway line while incendiary bombs set fire to surrounding buildings.  
Other British aircraft when they arrived found the bridge already cut and promptly bombed Nazi armoured vehicles which had been brought to a standstill.

# American Exodus From Philippines

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
MANILA, Apr. 17 (UP).—It is understood that the United States Army has advanced the deadline for the evacuation of army dependents from July 15 to May 15 and is making special arrangements to speed up the evacuation.  
The Red Cross is completing a private survey of Americans to ascertain whether they are willing and financially able to evacuate their dependents at an early date.  
The Red Cross is also doing its utmost to obtain funds to finance the evacuation of those who are without funds.

H.M.S. Mohawk was torpedoed and sunk, but the majority of the crew were rescued.  
The enemy's sunken ships were:



**The Italian destroyer, Luca Tarigo.**  
Two 5,000-ton ships heavily laden with motor transport  
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The Italian destroyer Luca Tarigo of 1,628 tons and two smaller Italian destroyers, the names of which are as yet unknown.

# Death & Destruction In Mexico 'Quake

**Special to the "Telegraph"**  
MEXICO CITY, Apr. 16 (UP).—At least 140 have been killed and a number of persons injured in the wide zone devastated by an earth-quake around Colima, in the State of Michoacan and Jalisco.

# Chinese Envoy Sees Molotov

**Chungking Reassured**  
**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
MOSCOW, Apr. 16 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Shao Li-tze, had a conversation with M. Molotov to-day.

Moreover newspapers to-day gave prominence to the exchange of telegrams between M. Stalin and Mr. Molotov, the Japanese Foreign Minister, with the mutual expression of "confidence and friendship."  
They gave front page space to the dispatch from Ulan-Bator, the Outer Mongolian capital, reporting a most mass meeting and the passing of a resolution of satisfaction over the Soviet-Japanese pact guaranteeing Outer Mongolia's integrity.  
The Yugo-Slavian Minister, M. Gabrilovich, made public an open telegram to General Antonescu, Premier of Rumania, which was dispatched last Saturday, urging all Rumanians not to abandon their traditional friendship and to refrain from invading Yugo-Slavia. General Antonescu has not yet replied.

**Chungking Assured**  
CHUNGKING, Apr. 16 (UP).—It is reliably reported that Moscow has assured Chungking that the Soviet policy towards China has not changed, particularly regarding the continuation of supplies.

# EIREAN BASES

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, indicated to-day that the United States Government had no intention of asking Eire to grant naval bases to Britain.  
He said that contrary to the various rumours there had been no discussion, much less negotiation, on the question with Eire officials here.

One hundred were killed and 85 injured in the town of Tuxpan; four were killed and 40 injured at Ciudad Guzman, both in the State of Jalisco. A number of houses collapsed in other nearby towns, especially at Coloman, State of Michoacan with a number of victims.

**Tidal Wave**  
The 'quake was intense for about 200 kilometres around Colima and to the north as far as Puerto Vallarta, which is on the boundary between the States of Jalisco and Nayarit. A tidal wave has been reported from several coastal towns.  
Thirty six bodies and more than 50 injured have so far been taken from the debris of buildings and houses in Colima. The number of victims is feared to be much higher as the Governor's estimates mention that hundreds of houses collapsed.

**Relief By Air**  
COLIMA, Mex. Apr. 16 (UP).—The first of six military planes arrived here at 4 p.m. with medicines. Sixty bodies have been rescued so far from the debris of the Federal Palace which was among the buildings completely destroyed. Other planes from Mexico City are expected soon.

# Boulogne Explosions

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
FOLKESTONE, Apr. 16 (UP).—Loud explosions from the vicinity of Boulogne were heard by observers on the southeast coast early this evening. Two terrifically heavy explosions shook the English side of the Channel.

**Dover Continued**  
DOVER, Apr. 18 (UP).—German guns from the French coast fired from the Straits of Dover in the brilliant sunshine this afternoon for the first time in over a fortnight and continued firing for a half hour. So far, no damage has been reported.

# LATEST

**Tobruk Assault Repulsed**  
**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
TOBRUK, via Cairo, Apr. 16 (UP).—Twelve German and Italian tanks were destroyed, five German planes definitely brought down and 200 Germans made prisoners this morning when the Nazis launched the biggest series of attacks on Tobruk since the siege of the fortress began four days ago.  
All the attackers were repulsed with heavy losses to the Germans.  
Under the cover of darkness 30 tanks penetrated the wire defences from the direction of Bladem last night and advanced for about three kilometres inside the perimeter defences. Trucks carrying about 200 infantrymen followed.

# Severe Raids On London

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
LONDON, Apr. 17 (UP).—Waves of raiders continued to attack the city this morning, seemingly attacking in a heavier number per wave than before.  
Flaming oil bombs mixed with ordinary anti-aircraft shells were shot up seeking out the bombers.  
Preliminary reports reveal that the Germans scattered incendiaries widely and waiting for the fires before sending down their high explosives.  
One downed bomber landed in the garden of a house in a residential district. The occupier said that the plane "came down with a terrible noise; we thought it was coming on us."

# More Bombers For S'pore

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
MANILA, Apr. 17 (UP).—Informal quarters anticipate further arrivals of Consolidated long range bombers, apparently consigned to Singapore. Americans are piloting them to Manila.  
The first British crew has arrived and has taken over the bomber which Clyde Pangborn piloted from Honolulu.

# New Benefits For Our Evacuees In Australia

According to an Australian newspaper report, Hongkong evacuees are to benefit under a new Child Endowment Scheme which has been introduced by the Federal Government in Australia.  
The scheme provides for the payment of five shillings a week to the mother of children for every child after the first. Thus, the mother of three children will receive ten shillings a week—five shillings each for the second and third child.  
In the case of Hongkong evacuees, it will apply after July 1, providing they are still in Australia.  
It has also been ruled that wives of Army and Navy personnel, including the Hongkong garrison, are entitled to the endowment, although they already receive a child allowance.

# 'All-Out' War In Greece Imminent: Allied Lines Are Still Intact

**Special to the "Telegraph"**  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (UP).—A statement by the War Office to-day revealed that there is "heavy fighting in Greece in more than one sector. "There is no confirmation from the Greek and British commands of the rumour derived from German sources that the Allied line was broken in the Mount Olympus sector, and that the plains of Larissa had been laid open to a German advance."

Meanwhile, the battle of Greece is expected momentarily to go into the "all out" phase with the announcement that the Allied and Axis forces are continuing along the entire front.  
In view of the constantly increasing German pressure, a large scale flank or frontal attack appears imminent.

**Enormous Armies**  
According to reports from Ankara, the Germans are massing from 60 to 65 divisions, totalling one million men on the Balkan fronts, of which 32 to 35 divisions are operating from Bulgaria.

The British claim that they have repulsed attacks on the right and left flanks, but German pressure is expected to be increased as a result of the collapse of organised Yugo-Slavian resistance, although the guerrilla phase is expected to continue in the highlands.

**Macedonian Fighting**  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (UP).—Athens Radio, announcing a Greek war communiqué, stated that in western Macedonia, German forces which had penetrated the River Aliakmon, are going into action near Grevena trying to break through to Calamata. On the Cozani heights, the Germans are pressing towards Alekmon. In the north, Koriza, Kioffe, and Goritz have fallen into enemy hands.

# Royal Navy Repairs In U. S. Yards

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—British warships brought to the United States for repairs are given priority over everything else in the Navy yards, declared Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary for the Navy, to a Press conference to-day. This would inevitably affect the Navy's own ship-building programme, but he hoped that the two-ocean navy would not be delayed as a result.  
Col Knox said that the British battleship Malaya, which recently arrived in New York, was only the first of a large number of vessels expected to enter the United States harbours for repairs.  
While saying that it would be improper to discuss the possibility of the United States Navy conveying forces to Greenland, Col Knox hinted that the Navy had such plans in mind by declaring "every well-run navy tries to have plans for every contingency, and this is such a contingency."

# THE CUPBOARD WAS BARE!

SHANGHAI, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Representatives of the Wang Ching-wei regime, accompanied by Japanese officials, visited the former pre-miers of the Chinese Nationalist Association Offices in the International Settlement this morning with the object of taking over the control of the Association offices.  
The party, however, are said to have withdrawn when being told that the offices had been removed.

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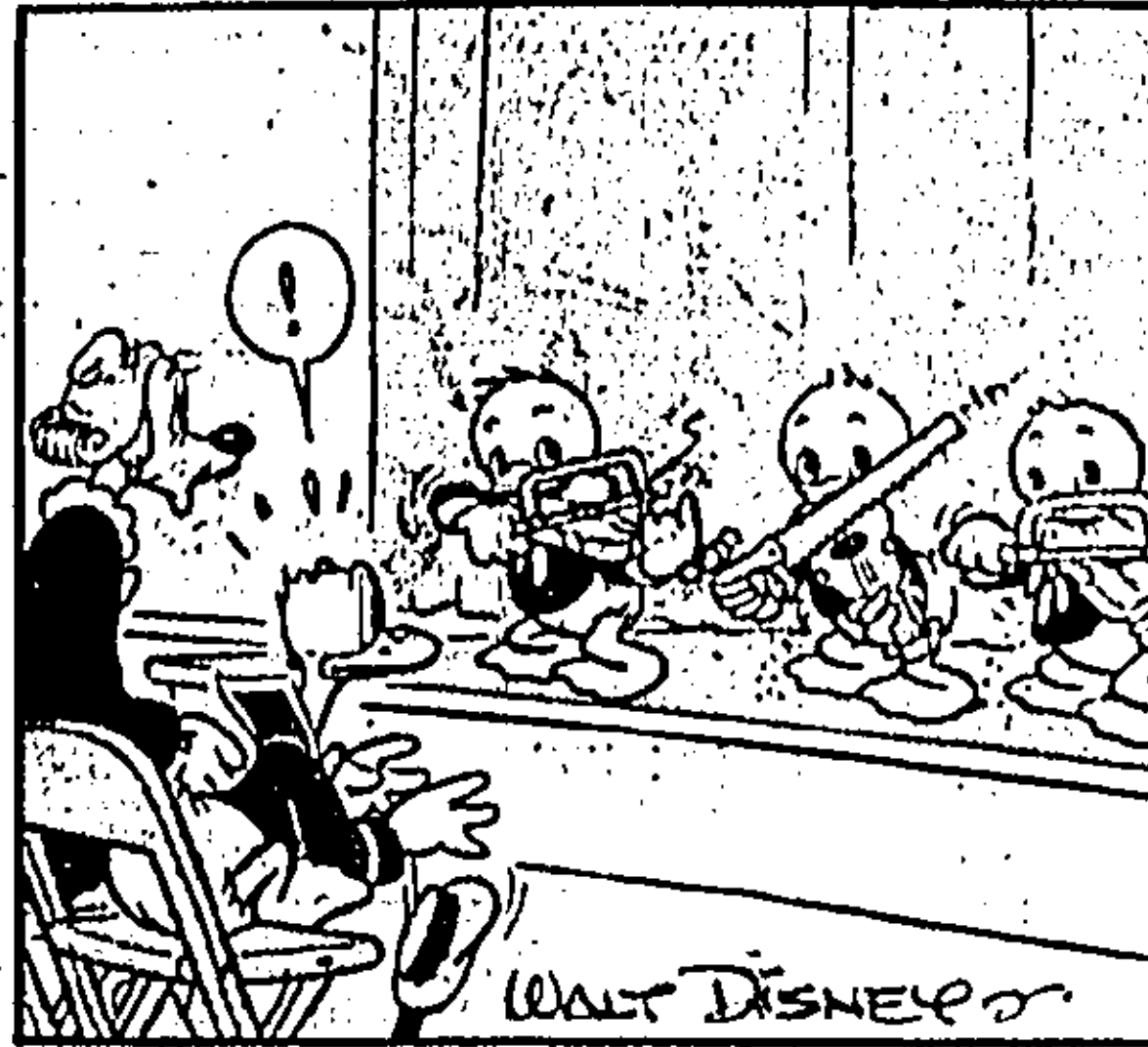
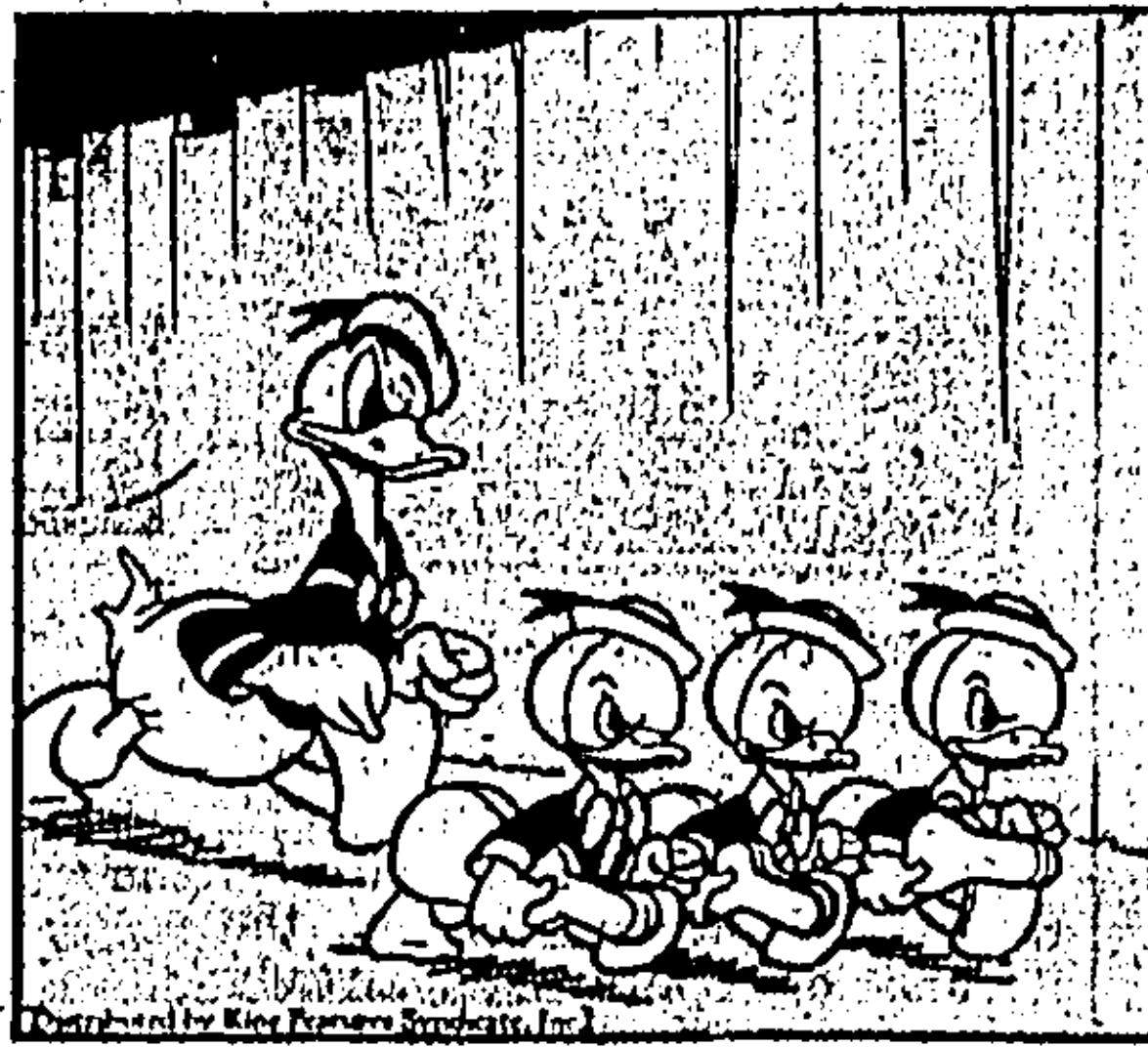
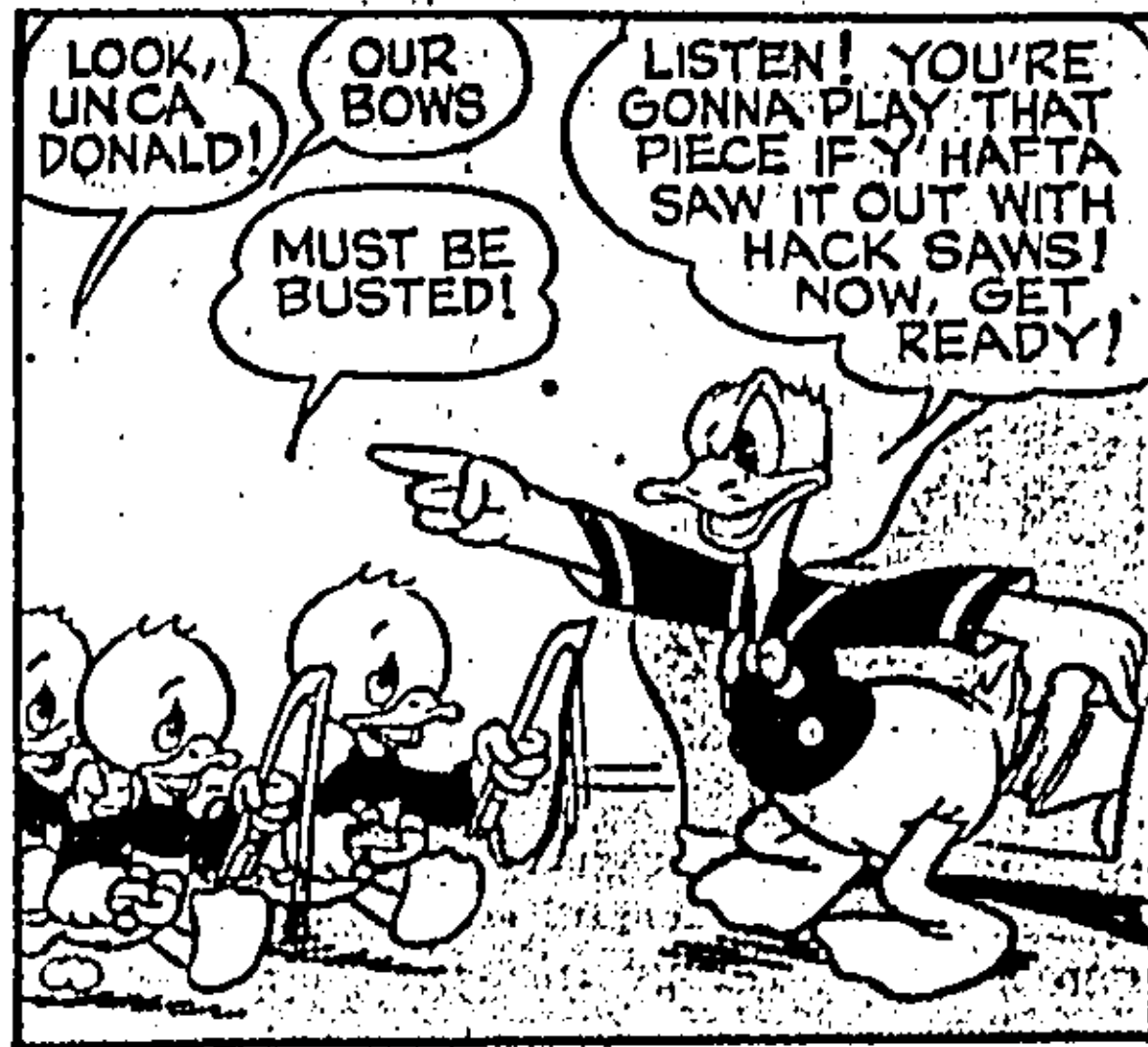






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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

**ACROSS**

- Part of ship's rigging
- Burial place
- Chop into small pieces
- Take skin off
- Turn away
- Combining term: oil
- Wandering urchin
- Man's name
- Avenue
- Narrator
- Those who repair holes in cloth
- Examinations
- With "maiden" name
- Marked with day of month
- Recipient of request
- Blender piece
- Air pump
- Motorless airplanes
- Small bird
- Proceeding
- Crow-like birds
- Measure
- Keeper
- Modifying musically
- Terminus
- Boys
- Covered with turf
- Poisonous
- History of Amazon River
- Common bird
- Recently deceased
- Prepare for publication

**DOWN**

- Box
- Diminish a little at a time
- Inland sea in Russian Turkestan
- Allows as deduction
- Narrow strips of fabric
- Outwardly manifest
- Became acquainted with
- Originated
- Unfamiliar persons
- Stinging insect
- Drug-producing
- Burn
- Stick carriers
- Theodore
- Stakes set on hind legs
- Shipping devices
- Postpone
- Doctress
- Cognizant
- Level
- Devoured
- Heat people
- Fully educated
- Defamer
- Laborious student
- Ecliptic
- Vase ceremonial
- Useful metal
- Wait for
- Rectangular piece
- Hurried
- Walk through water
- Seed covering
- Irradiate
- Loose color
- Members of western Indian tribe
- Period of fasting
- Cloth worn under chin

# HOW THE LEND AND LEASE BILL WILL WORK

## From the United Press

Here is an analysis of salient features of the British Aid Bill which recently became a law:

1. The President of the United States may lend, lease or give away defence articles—ranging from warships and planes to cartridges and wheat—to any country whose defence he deems vital to the defence of the United States.

2. The terms for repayment of such aid will be set by the President in each case. He may arrange for the goods to be paid back; or agree to take other types of goods in exchange; or he may give the material away for "indirect benefit" to the United States.

3. The immediate direct dollar cost of defence articles transferred abroad will be borne by American taxpayers. The President will seek cash and contractual authority from Congress to purchase the articles.

4. From army and navy equipment now on hand or on order, the President may send up to \$1,300,000,000 worth abroad. He must seek specific authority from Congress to transfer more than that amount from army and navy stocks appropriated for or authorized in the future.

## CONVOYS

5. The President receives no specific authority under the bill to use American ships to convoy defence supplies to Britain. On the other hand, the bill does not curtail any powers which he may now have to order such convoys.

6. The President must report to Congress every three months on the transactions which he enters into under the bill. But he may withhold until a later time the disclosure of transactions which he does not consider in the public interest to reveal at the moment.

7. The President's powers under the bill extend through June 30, 1943, unless ended earlier by a simple majority vote of Congress. Contracts which he enters into under the bill must be completed by July 1, 1946.

8. Under the bill, the President or his defence advisers may also give certain secret military information to nations whose defence is deemed vital to the United States. Such information might include the plans or designs of the zealously-guarded bomb sight, for instance.

Here are some questions and answers designed to clarify operation of the lend-lease programme:

Q. What is the purpose of the programme?

A. To make the United States the arsenal and larder of the world's democracies; to speed weapons and other war materials to Britain and other nations battling the Axis Powers.

Q. When is the programme effective?

A. The programme went into effect when President Roosevelt signed the Lend-Lease Bill on March 11, 1941.

## ANTI-AXIS

Q. What steps can the President take immediately to help the anti-Axis nations?

A. The President is empowered to release at once up to \$1,300,000,000 worth of army and navy equipment.

Q. Has the President extended any immediate aid?

A. He has approved an army-navy list of equipment which is to be sent to Britain and Greece, some of it in a few days and the rest over a period of weeks and months.

Q. What type and how much equipment is involved?

A. The President said the first list of equipment was not very large and that the type must remain secret until their identity is no longer of military value. Other sources indicated it included a number of "flying fortress" bombers, naval patrol bombers, light tanks, machine guns and mosquito boats.

Q. Is the total amount of aid limited to \$1,300,000,000?

A. No. That limit applies only to release of U.S. equipment now on hand or on order.

Q. How else may the President extend aid?

A. By requesting Congress to appropriate specific sums to be used to buy things for the democracies. He is now asking Congress to appropriate \$7,000,000,000, of which \$1,300,000,000 will be earmarked to replace equipment taken from existing army-navy stores.

Q. Will the President ask for more than \$7,000,000,000 to aid the democracies?

A. Supplementary requests may be sent to Congress from time to time. The \$7,000,000,000 is expected to be the major item this year.

Q. To what specific nations may aid be sent?

A. To "any country whose defence the President deems vital to the defence of the United States."

Q. Is the aid limited to weapons, such as planes, warships, tanks and guns?

A. No. It may also include food, raw materials, cargo vessels and virtually any commodity useful in the creation or maintenance of a war machine. It may include any "defence information"—defined in the bill as "any plan, specification, design, prototype or information pertaining to any defence article."

Q. Is the extension of aid limited to the lending and leasing of defence articles?

A. No. The President may give the material away if he wants to.

Q. What can the President accept from the democracies as repayment for aid rendered?

A. He could arrange to receive repayment in kind—a gun for a gun, or a ship for a ship—or in cash or other materials, such as rubber or tin, which the nation needs. He might also accept territorial concessions or "any other direct or indirect benefit."

Q. What happens to money received as payment or repayment?

A. It may be used during the fiscal year in which it is received or the ensuing fiscal year for purchase of other materials to be sent to the democracies. If not used for this purpose, they go into the general treasury fund.

Q. How long will the programme remain in effect?

A. Through June 30, 1943, unless terminated by a simple majority vote of Congress before that time. Contracts entered into by the President under the programme must be completed by July 1, 1946.

Q. Does the act require the President to make any report on the progress of the programme?

A. Yes. He must submit to Congress, at least every 90 days, a report of "operations under this act except such information as he deems incompatible with the public interest to disclose."

## U.S. FORCES

Q. Does the bill give the President any specific authority for use of American land, sea or air forces abroad?

A. No. The bill merely provides that none of its provisions shall affect existing laws on such movements. The Selective Service Act and the National Guard Mobilization Act prohibit the use of draftees or guardsmen outside the Western Hemisphere or U.S. possessions. There are no such restrictions on the use of the Navy or of the Regular Army.

Q. Are there any precedents for the use of Regular Army or Navy forces abroad without a declaration of war by Congress?

A. American history has many instances in which U.S. troops and ships engaged in minor conflicts, such as in Latin America and the Boxer Rebellion in China, without a declaration of war. But there were formal declarations before American participation in the Spanish-American and World Wars, as well as the War of 1812 with Britain.

Q. Does the Lend-Lease Act permit the President to use American warships to convoy defence supplies to Britain or to any other nation?

A. It states that "nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize or permit the authorization of convoying vessels by naval vessels of the United States." If the President decided that present law permits him to convoy supply vessels, the Lend-Lease Act would not prohibit such action.

Q. Are there any other laws banning the use of American warships abroad?

A. The Neutrality Act forbids entry of American vessels into combat zones defined by the President. Britain and Greece are in such zones, but China is not.

Q. What does the outfitting and repair clause of the Lend-Lease Act authorize?

A. It empowers the President to permit foreign warships to be repaired and fitted out with armaments in private or navy shipyards or outfitting U.S. bases equipped for such work. It also permits the repair, reconditioning or outfitting of any defence article possessed by a friendly nation.

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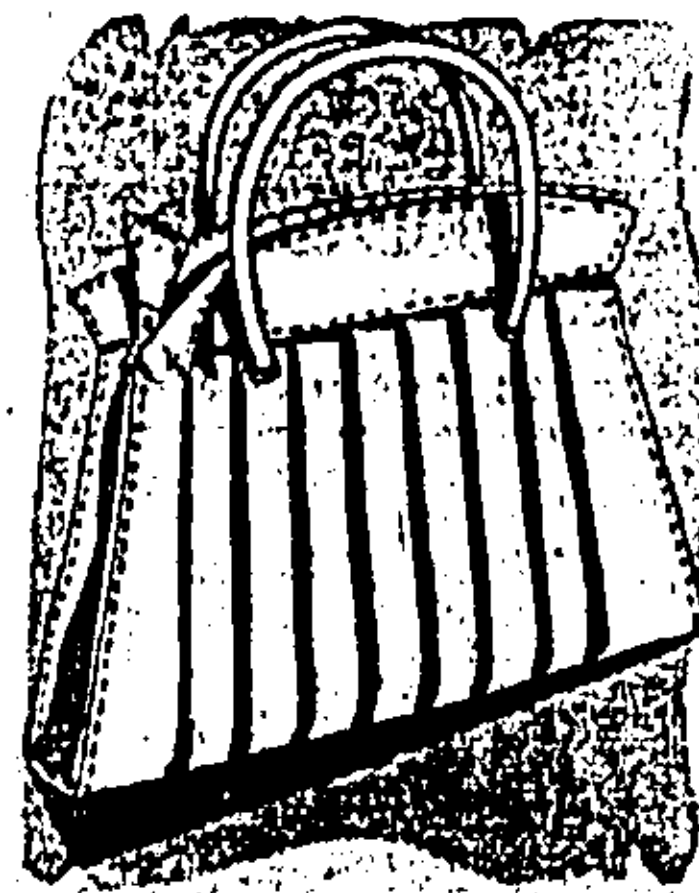
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## Ceaseless Activity By Royal Air Force

Special to the "Telegraph"

CAIRO, Apr. 16 (UP).—To-day's communique states that constant air activity over Cirenaica yesterday resulted in damage and confusion to enemy transport concentrations in the El Adem, Tobruk and Bardia areas, while four Junkers 52s were destroyed at Capuzzo. The aerodromes at Danna, Monastir and El Adem were raided on Monday night where buildings and two planes were destroyed.

The Fleet Air Arm raided Valona harbour Monday night destroying two transport ships.

The communique continued: "In Cirenaica, considerable damage and confusion was caused to enemy troops and motor transport concentrations at El Adem, Tobruk and Bardia yesterday by constant air action on the part of the R.A.F. and the Australian Air Force."

"The enemy was given very little respite by our bombers which rained throughout the day, while fighter planes, which were patrolling, took every opportunity to carry out machine gun attacks."

**Ships Destroyed**  
Ships were destroyed at Valona and included a merchant ship of 6,000 tons and an ammunition ship of 7,000 tons.

Last Monday night, bombers raided Vele, hitting a bridge over Vardar River and cutting enemy communications.

Enemy dive bombing attacks on Pirena harbour yesterday resulted in slight damage to R.A.F. property. British fighters shot down five Junkers 52s and others were severely damaged.

The enemy raided the aerodromes at Jannina resulting in some damage. The enemy also raided Malta on Monday night, but the only damage was at the Mental Home where one person was killed and nine injured.

Two British bombers are missing from the above operations.

## 'QUAKE CLAIMS WHOLE CITY

VICHY, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Most of the 15,000 inhabitants of Colmar are believed to be either dead or injured in the earthquake that rocked Mexico yesterday, states a despatch from Mexico City.

Three-quarters of the town is reported destroyed.

## Night Flying Ace Of R.A.F.

**Adds Three To His Bag**  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—One British pilot of a night fighter shot down three German bombers last night, the Air Ministry announces.

This ace was recently awarded the D.F.C. and promoted to Commander of his Squadron for marked ability in night flying, and he has now destroyed ten nocturnal raiders.

A fellow pilot shot down two bringing the Squadron's total bag to five.

**Total of Eight**  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—It is learned that two more enemy bombers were destroyed over England last night making a total of eight.

## In Pursuit Of Enemy In Abyssinian Hills

("Reuters" Special Correspondent in Abyssinia)

ADDIS ABABA, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—General Pesanti, the Italian Divisional Commander, whose capture is announced to-day, was overtaken by the Imperial forces when he was plodding along on a mule between a remote village and Addis Ababa.

He is now occupying the bedroom of General Santini who has been removed to an unknown destination.

Another prisoner is Colonel Rolle, leader of the notorious Banda (native) group. He with a staff of 51 officers and 700 Banda were captured near the Awash river by two South African subalterns (one the grandson of General Buller) and 17 men.

Two enemy bodies 600 strong approaching to surrender from opposite directions opened fire on each other. Six were killed before the South African Regiment intervened and took them prisoner.

The British columns are now at the heels of the retreating Italians in three main sectors, namely the Mussolini Pass, 100 miles from Addis Ababa on the Dessie road; in the heart of the Arussa mountains east of the Abyssinian lakes; and on the Omo river on the way to Jimma.

A Colonel of a Transvaal Regiment met an army of 10,000 patriots headed by six-foot three inches Ras Guraasu. The British columns are now at the heels of the retreating Italians in three main sectors, namely the Mussolini Pass, 100 miles from Addis Ababa on the Dessie road; in the heart of the Arussa mountains east of the Abyssinian lakes; and on the Omo river on the way to Jimma.

**Food For France**  
WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Two French ships provided with British navicerts are leaving New York to-morrow for Marseilles with 13,500 tons of United States flour for unoccupied France.

## GERMANS LOSING STUKAS

R.A.F. Successes In Greece

"REUTERS" CORRESPONDENT IN GREECE

ATHENS, Apr. 16 (Reuters).

British pilots are fighting here with fearless ferocity against Goering's Luftwaffe. In the short time since the Germans started their latest aggression in the Balkans, one R.A.F. squadron alone has brought down 100 German planes. One young British pilot has bagged five German aircraft in the last three days.

The sufficient fact in the present air war over Greece is that the Germans are employing large fleets of dive bombers in attacks on Imperial troops and harbours, but many of the bombs are falling harmlessly on mountain sides or in the sea, for no aircraft can possibly concentrate on bomb aiming when speedy British Hawker-Hurricane fighters are on its tail.

The result of all these air battles has been a considerable depletion of German dive bombers.

## BLITZ OVER BRITAIN

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Air raid alarms sounded at an early hour in London to-night, and introduced what shortly afterwards appeared to be one of the biggest raids on the British metropolis for some time.

Enemy planes began to drone their way over London in waves immediately after the sirens had died away.

A. A. guns hurled shells into the air over a wide area with the heaviest jacket of the year. Over one of the outer districts, a large number of flares lit up the streets and many planes were heard flying much lower than in previous raids.

One German bomber was blown out of the sky within a few minutes of the alert when flying at about 5,000 feet.

High explosive bombs fell in one London district soon after.

R.A.F. fighters soared to attack the Luftwaffe and machine-gun fire was heard as the enemy was engaged.

**Heavy Results Feared**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Apr. 16 (UP).—Several northeast English coast towns were heavily attacked last night by waves of German bombers. It is feared that many casualties were caused by the sudden onset of the blitz raids and there was considerable property damage.

## IRON GUARDISTS SENTENCED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BUCHAREST, Apr. 16 (UP).—It is officially stated that six members of the Iron Guard death squad have been executed, or sentenced to death, after they had confessed to making preparations for the assassination of high dignitaries of the state during the Eastern religious celebrations.

It is stated that they killed the Jewish proprietor of a bookstore just to determine the attitude of the authorities and the reaction of the people, preparatory to their Easter plan.

## Empress Of Japan's Pilgrimage

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOKYO, Apr. 16 (Domel).—Her Majesty the Empress will make a pilgrimage to the sanctuaries of the Imperial Ancestors in West Japan for a week in the middle of May to pray for the successful solution of the emergency facing the Empire.

Her Majesty will visit the Grand Shrine at Ise, the Kashiwara Shrine and the Mausoleums of Emperor Jimmu, Japan's first monarch, Empress Dowager Eishi, Empress Winko, Emperor Komei, Emperor Meiji and Empress Dowager Shoken.

## FIRE IN TOKYO

TOKYO, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Eight hundred and twenty houses were burned down and 5,000 people rendered homeless by a fire at a town in the Toyama district, 180 miles northwest of Tokyo.

**Fishing Village**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOYAMA, Apr. 17 (Domel).—Five hundred and eight houses and 20 fishing junks were burned yesterday afternoon when a fire swept the fishing village of Shin Minato Machi in Toyama Prefecture on the Japan Sea coast.

The fire was fanned by a 30 m.p.h. wind and burned for four hours before it was brought under control at 6.30 p.m.

The estimated damage was Yen 1,500,000.

**Steel Prices Fixed**  
NEW YORK, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—An order freezing steel prices at the level that prevailed in the first quarter has been issued by Mr. Leon Anderson, American Price Administrator.

## Belfast Pounded In Luftwaffe Attack

Special to the "Telegraph"

BELFAST, Apr. 16 (UP).—The Ministry of Public Security and the R.A.F. headquarters issued a joint communique to-day stating, "Belfast bore the brunt of an indiscriminate enemy air attack which was carried out against northern Ireland overnight."

"Shortly after the alarm sounded, high explosives and incendiary bombs were dropped at random over the city."

"A considerable number fell in the residential and shopping areas causing numerous casualties, many of which it is feared, will prove fatal."

"Other bombs damaged industrial and commercial premises."

"In other areas of northern Ireland, the intensity of the attacks was not so severe."

## S'hai Banks Close Up: Fatal Shooting

SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Reuters).—Four Chinese government banks suspended business here this morning.

An official of one of the banks told "Reuters": "We do not know whether the government banks will reopen for business in the near future."

The Shanghai dollar rate this morning dropped to 3.3/16.

**Value of Dollar**

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Despite a reported improvement in the political atmosphere in Shanghai, following the proposed reorganization of the Municipal Council, banking circles in London do not expect any improvement in the Shanghai dollar in the near future.

Notwithstanding official reassurances, the feeling persists here that it would be foolish for the Chinese Stabilisation Fund to lend active support to the Shanghai dollar until the political and military situation is clarified.

**"Badlands" Killing**

SHANGHAI, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—A Chinese was shot dead and another was seriously wounded early this morning in a terrorist shooting in the "Badlands."

The shooting is reported to have taken place in the dormitory of the Bank of China employees' mess and is believed to be a reprisal for the shooting of an employee of the Central Reserve Bank yesterday.

**Staffs Demand**

SHANGHAI, Apr. 17 (Reuters).—It is understood that the Banks have closed down without the knowledge of Shanghai following the early morning murder of two employees of the Bank of China, resulting in the killing of Tsang Yang-fong.

The staffs refused to carry on unless assured of protection for themselves and their families.

## Skipper Is Fined

Took Wrong Course

Robert Arthur Prechard, ship's captain, was fined \$30 by Cmdr T. C. Stiff at the Marine Court this morning for disobeying an order of the Harbour Master on April 7 by allowing his ship to proceed inside the marking buoy and the south shore of Lamma Island.

Defendant pleaded not guilty. Sgt. H. S. Handley, R.M., said he was on duty on April 7, when he saw Defendant's ship come out of Beaufort Channel on a westerly course. The ship maintained this course until out of sight. Through maintaining this course, the ship failed to comply with the orders of the Harbour Master.

Defendant, in evidence, said: "Before leaving the harbour we had to come through the boom gates with the necessary signals to pass outwards. After passing the boom rounding the Tathong Channel close to D'Agulhar Signal Station and passing down Tathong Channel, the signal lights are kept flying until we are close to Lamma Signal Station (Bluff Point). At the time I was not aware where the buoy was placed for ships to pass to the south of it."

**Leniency Plea**

Cmdr Stiff pointed out that notices regarding the buoy had been posted up on February 25, and later inserted in the Government Gazette.

In asking for leniency, Defendant said he saw the notice for the first time this morning. The buoy was very small, and it was very difficult to see it, especially when there was a swell on.

Sub-Inspector Oliver agreed on this point, and said that even the Police found it difficult to see the buoy at times.

The fine of \$30 was imposed.

**Vatican & Religion In Germany**

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuters).—Anti-Catholic activities of Nazi Germany were condemned to-night by the Vatican radio which says that since 1933 the Catholic Church in Germany had lost all its schools, ecclesiastical organisations, and newspapers except for a few weekly papers which were unable to answer the Nazi attacks on the Catholic religion.

Everything was being done to eliminate Catholic teachers from the National Socialist regime. Under a decree just issued, all wishing to enter Holy Orders had first to join a labour camp from which they could not get away without permission.

"This will be the end of religion in Germany," the announcer commented.

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12.30 Excerpts from Ivor Novello's Shows.

Careless Rapture—Selection.... Geraldine and His Orchestra; Glamorous Night—The Girl I Knew.... Elisabeth Welch with Orchestra; The Dancing Years; I Can Give You the Starlight—Waltz; Waltz of My Heart—Waltz.... New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; My Dearest Dear.... Mary Ellis and Ivor Novello; My Life Belongs to You.... Dunstan Hart and Mary Ellis with Ivor Novello at the piano.

Local Time Signal.

1.01 New Mayfair Dance Orchestra.

1.30 "Reuters" and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Compositions of Coleridge-Taylor.

"Olelo"—Suite, Dance from Olelo; Children's Intermezzo; Funeral March; Willow Song; Military March.... New Symphony Orchestra; Thou Hast Bewitched Me, Beloved; This is the Island of Gardens; Unmindful of the Roses.... Arthur Reckless (Baritone) and Orchestra; Intermezzo.... New Light Symphony Orchestra; Song of the Sea.... Peter Dawson (Bass-baritone) with Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Variety and Dance Music.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Talk: "Meet Uncle Sam."

7.30 "Fats" Waller (Organ) and His Rhythm.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Violin Solos by Albert Sandler.

Pale Moon (Indian Love Song) (Logan); Allegro (Flores).... Jack Glynn at the Piano; Etudiantina—Waltz (Waldteufel); Dolores—Waltz (Waldteufel).... Sydney Foulkes at the piano.

8.15 Saddle—Local Newsletter.

8.30 Keith Falkner (Baritone) and New Mayfair Orchestra.

Jerome Kern Melodies—Intro: There is a Hill Beyond a Hill; Blue Eyes; Dancing Time; Look for the Silver Lining; She did not say Yes; Whose Baby Are You; Who; Moon Love; I've told ev'ry little Star; Wild Rose.... New Mayfair Orchestra; San Diego Betty (film "Mayfair Melody"); Without the Moon.... Keith Falkner (Baritone); A Musical Comedy Switch.... New Mayfair Orchestra; A Song Doesn't (film "Mayfair Melody").... Keith Falkner (Baritone); Love Tales—Intro: Love, Here is my Heart; Speak to me of Love; A Bachelor Gay; I Love Thee; Frisquita Serenade; If Winter Comes.... New Mayfair Orchestra.

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.28 Compositions of Beethoven.

Sonata in E Flat Major, Op. 81a (Les Adieux); Adagio—Allegro—Andante espressivo—Vivacissimo—Allegro.... Arthur Schnabel—Piano solo; Adelaide, Op. 46.... Just Bjorling (Tenor) with piano; Romance in F Op. 50.... Paul Kaul (violin solo with piano).

9.45 News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.00 London Relay—"To Talk of Many Things."

10.15 Verdi's "Aida" Ballet Suite and Act 11.

Ballet Suite.... Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler; Aida Act 11—Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: Amneris, Pharaoh's daughter.... Maria Capuana (M-Soprano); Ramfis, High Priest.... Trancredi Pasero (Bass); Aida.... Armand Lombardi (Soprano); Amnarsa, King of Ethiopia.... Armando Borgioli (Baritone); Rhadames, a young warrior.... Arnoldo Lindo (Tenor) with Orchestra.

11 Close Down.

**War Prisoners In South Africa**

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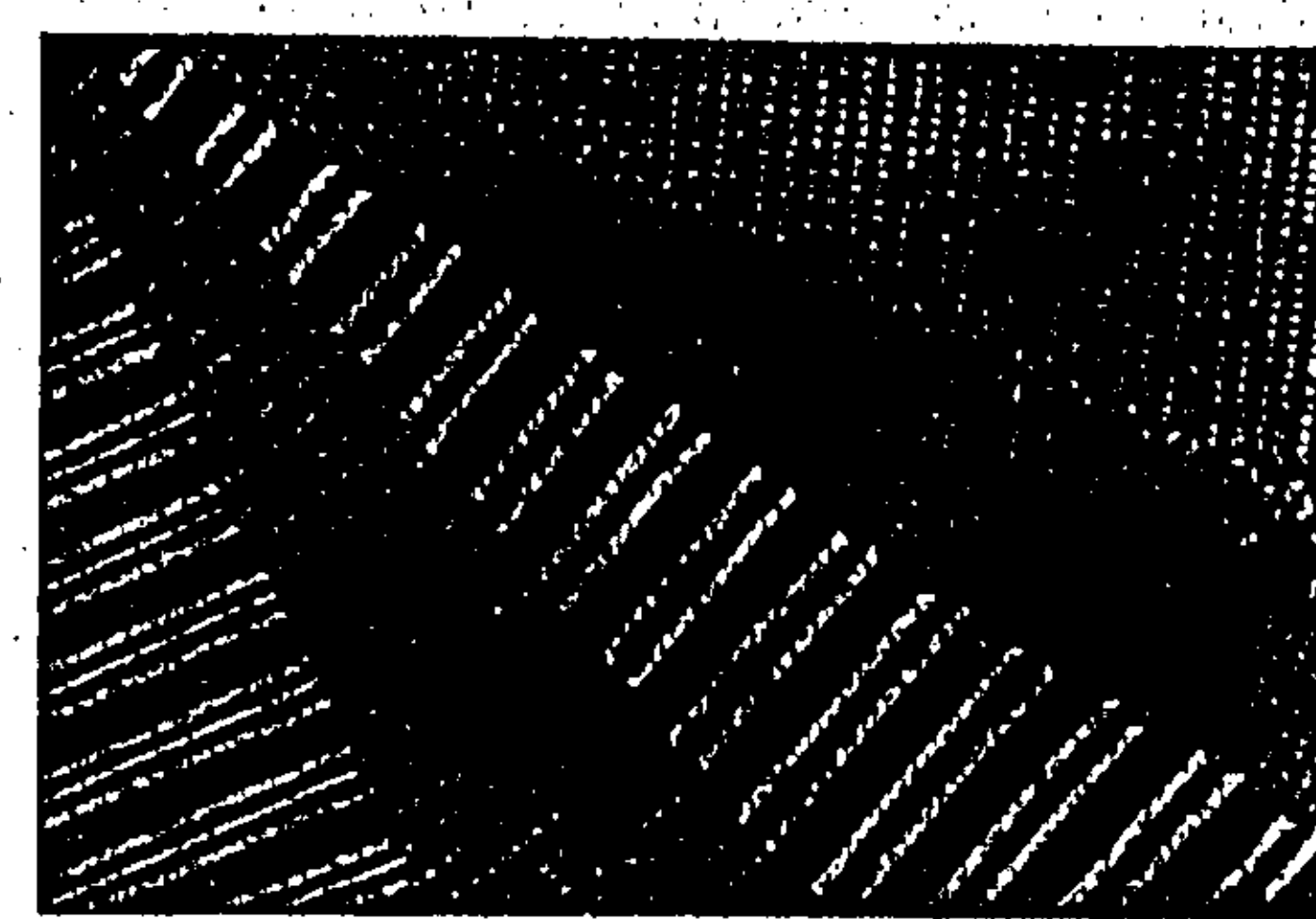
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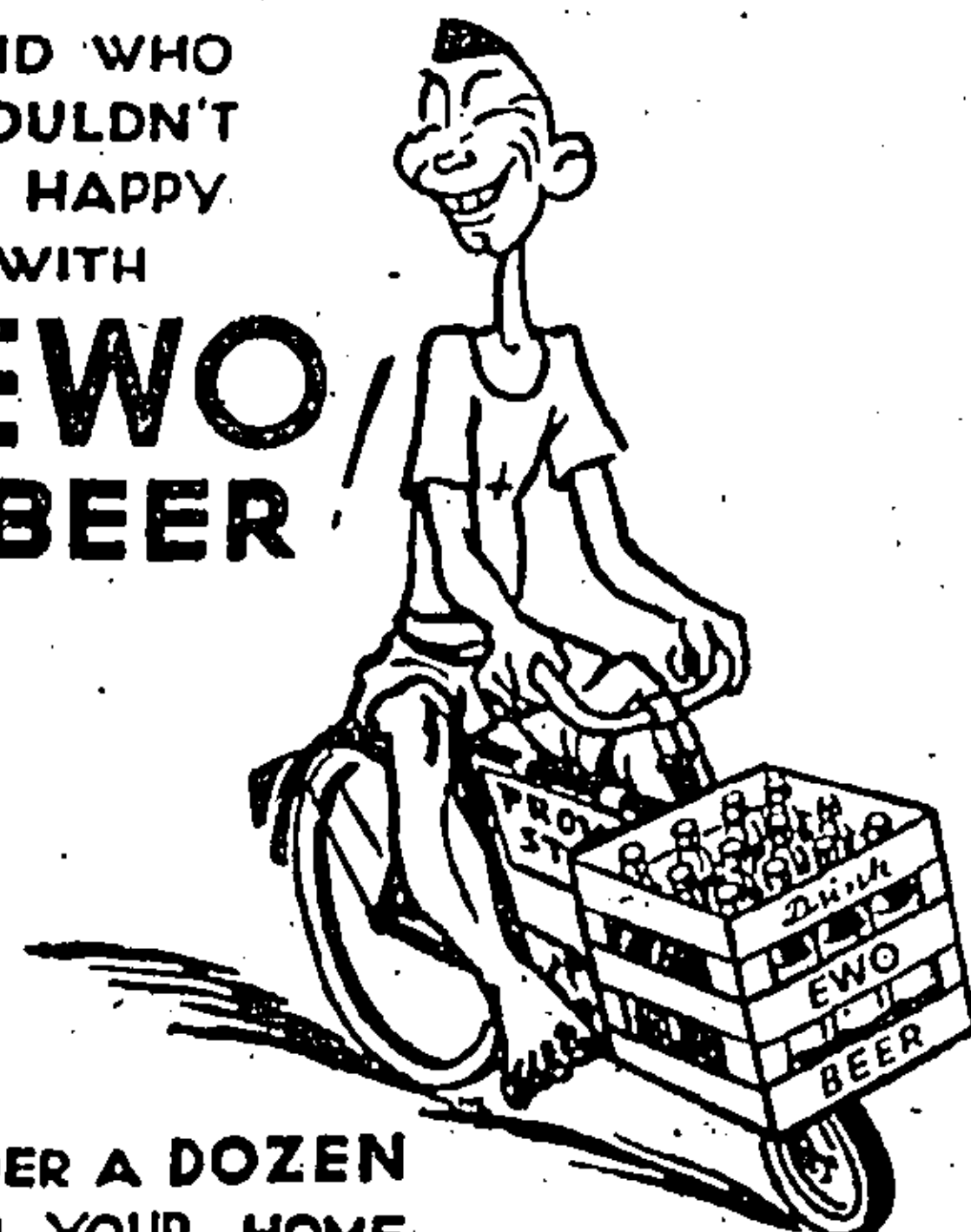
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# "Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

## Common Faults Of Most Players

### Selfishness And Mistakes In Dribbling And Passing Avoid One-handed Play

**NO ONE** can play hockey by himself, but only as a member of a team; play, therefore, with your team. Hanging on to the ball, no matter how expert a dribbler you may be, upsets the balance and weakens effectiveness.

A common mistake with beginners, and one which is difficult to cure once it has become a habit, is one-handed play. There can be neither accuracy in hitting nor control in dribbling unless both hands are kept on the stick.

But perhaps the commonest fault of all is that of hitting to the left. The stick is so made that in its normal position it is held on the right-hand side of the body, consequently the easiest direction in which to hit the ball is to the left; this by swinging the stick slightly across the body.

Backs and halves are especial offenders in this respect, frequently clearing to the left when there is ample time—by a simple manoeuvre—to hit to the right. Unless this tendency is constantly corrected, it results in an unbalanced attack, overworking the left wing and starving the right. It is all the more important to correct this fault, for the attack is more easily made from the right than the left.

#### Blind Passing & Hitting

**BLIND** passing and hitting is due to a failure to look up and see how the field is placed. It is not always possible to take one's eyes off the ball, but a player should find it possible to form a mental picture of the position of the field so that he may know more or less where and when to direct his pass.

This can be improved by a more upright stance in playing, for one who holds his body in a crouch over his stick cannot see beyond a radius of a few yards.

#### Neglect of Marking

**MANY** a side has been beaten because the defence has failed to adequately mark the opposing forwards, and this fault can be generally traced to lack of understanding between the halves and backs.

There are exceptions to the rule, but the main principle is this:

Wing halves should mark the wing forwards, and the centre half the centre forward, leaving the backs to care for the inside-forwards.

A frequent fault is the wing half moving in to tackle the inner man, leaving the outer man on his own and unhindered.

## Random Jottings

### A Few Suggestions For Umpires Association

SINCE the League has now come to an end and several complaints have been made and thrown at the Umpires, I would like to make the following suggestions, and I hope the officials will be in a sufficiently jovial mood to accept them:

- (1) The Umpires Association should provide umpires with rain-coats and goloshes for wet days.
- (2) Provide free consultation with an oculist for umpires suspected of suffering from astigmatism or any other deficiency of sight. (The oculists will have a busy time!)
- (3) Cards to be printed and posted to all Clubs stating "The umpires may be blind but their hearing is alright, so be careful."
- (4) That captains be instructed in courtesy towards the officials in the extension of a vote of thanks or, possibly, an invitation to a drink after the game.

**THE H.K.H.A.** Six-a-side Tournament will take place on Sunday, April 27, instead of April 20 as previously stated. Entries will close in a week's time.

#### Tournament Tennis

## Rumjahn Cousins Enter Open Doubles Final

### K. H. Yip Offers Opposition

(By "Tinker")

**THE RUMJAHN COUSINS**, for the nth time of their career, have entered the final of the Colony Open Doubles Tennis Championship. Yesterday, on the Stand Court, they beat K. H. Yip and Ho Ka-lau in four sets by 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

They encountered steady opposition throughout, especially from Yip, to whose cool tactics and play, Ho owed much and it is not an exaggeration to state that had Yip had steeper support from his partner the champions would have been in grave danger of being beaten.

Of the Rumjahn cousins, H.D. was far the steeper. Sirdar was patchy. Though brilliant at times, especially in his retrieving, his overhead work was most unreliable.

But for all four players, the most noticeable feature lacking was a "killing" shot at the net. There were smashers down the sidelines that took points, but there were far more occasions when a good angle shot would have saved a considerable amount of work and trouble.

Sirdar's overhead weakness made itself apparent in the opening set, but neither Yip nor Ho had sufficiently settled down to take advantage of the fact. The Rumjahns led 3-0 before the Chinese pair took a game and they then climbed to 4-3. The well-known combination, however, made itself felt and the Rumjahns took the next two games, for the set.

#### Opportunity Lost

**GAMES** followed service in the second set, and the Chinese having served first led at 3-2. They then broke through their opponents' service to lead 4-2. The next game was their opportunity, but Sirdar compensated for many of his earlier faults with some brilliant retrieving shots to turn the tide in their favour. The Rumjahns took four games in a row against steady opposition. Ho came in for a barrage of concentrated shots, and though Yip was ever ready to step into any breach he was not given the opportunity.

The lack of understanding between the Chinese players was most apparent during this set. Gaps down the centre were ex-



The Y.M.C.A. Hockey XI, which has just concluded a most successful season. Standing: L. F. Coombe, J. T. K. Gilchrist, A. Gemmell, A. Fancey, V. M. Bonwell, L. W. R. Macey, W. Ure, F. A. Olson and D. T. Smith. Seated: W. Ireson, E. W. Railton, E. Youniff and D. Grant.—Ming Yuen.

## Club de Recreio Win H.K.H.A. Tournament

**FOR THE FIRST TIME** in the history of the Club, Recreio won the Hongkong Hockey Association Tournament when they defeated Khalsa 1-0 at King's Park last Monday in a most interesting game.

Two grand defences toiled on a fast pitch, and only a great penalty corner goal gave Recreio the championship. Zinho Gosano played a fine game at full back; appropriate, then, that he should provide that dramatic winner of a terrific drive from a short corner hit.

Khalsa fought gamely in the closing minutes, but their forwards were without the inspiration of bygone matches. They slugged away but were felled by a defence that knitted together solidly at the slightest sign of danger.

In the estimation of many, the Indians were unlucky to lose by the only goal.

#### Fast Exchanges

**FAST** exchanges featured the first half, but poor shooting of the home forwards was evident. Ozoio, in particular, missed two glorious chances with only Souza at his mercy. With the exception of G. Gosano, inside right, the Recs' forwards were far below par.

Khalsa defence, with M. H. Hassan as pivot, tackled soundly and hit cleanly, and some of their stickwork had the opposing forwards perplexed. But here also the forwards did not reach to their usual standard.

Tony Alves paid particular attention to the Gurbachan-Karminder Singh combination, and at the interval Recreio were slightly on top with no goals scored.

#### Khalsa Play Well

**IT** has to be said here that Khalsa were the better team in the second half. Their defence tackled strongly and they generally gave a display worthy of champions.

There were "incidents" in this half, but the umpire realised the tenseness of the struggle, and had the game well in hand. The trouble soon blew over, though play did not quite regain its previous sparkle.

There were, however, thrills in that second half when Khalsa gave the impression of being the more likely to score.

Gosano broke through ten minutes before the end, but missed his mark when well within the circle. Souza in goal was on top of his form, and when threatened gave nothing away.

#### The Deciding Goal

**FINALLY**, a few minutes from the end, G. Gosano got within shooting range but was badly obstructed by Mohinder Singh. A short corner was awarded, and Z. Gosano made no mistake from the resultant hit. Thereafter, Recreio found no means of penetrating the solid Khalsa defence, and though the visitors retaliated, they likewise faced a stone-wall defence.

#### Well Supported

**RECREIO'S** forwards, though displaying little stickwork, were always fast and were well supported by fine half backs. W. A. Reed and A. M. Alves, in particular, being outstanding.

Khalsa's defence was sound. U. B. Souza in goal was excellent, and their halves—Bhaq Singh, M. H. Hassan and M. Singh—imparted a good deal of speed to the attack which was drab and unentertaining. Congratulations to the Club de Recreio. They have been through the "Tournament" with only two draws and no defeats. A record in local league hockey.

The game was well controlled by Messrs V. M. Bonwell and Tyas.

#### Fanling Golf

## Match Play Stages For Adamson Cup

The following is the draw for the Match Play stages of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Adamson Cup Competition, the first round of which will be held on May 4, the second (semi-final) on May 18 and the final on June 1:

G. E. Willerton (12) receives bye into second round.

G. W. Reeve (11) v. W. Stoker (18); A. E. Clark (11) v. S. T. Butlin (10).

F. Buckle (12) receives bye into second round.

The first player in each match is the challenger and is responsible for fixing the date. Handicaps as above throughout.

### Easter Golf Results

The Bogey Par Pool over the Old Course at Fanling during the Easter holidays attracted 43 entries and was won by G. M. Park (6), who was one up.

The Medal Round had 33 entries and was won by J. G. Jensen, who had a card of 90-14=70. Park who had a card of 70-6=70 won the Bogey Pool.

The Bogey Par Pool over the New Course attracted 25 entries and was won by J. Hackney (14), who was one down. The Mixed Bogey competition was cancelled.

A sum of \$50 collected from entrance fees has been donated to the S. C. M. Post Bomber Fund.

## Macao Hockey Visitors Beaten

A scratch Colony hockey team, comprising players from Central British Association, Police and Recreio, beat Macao Lyceum 2-0 on the C.B.A. ground yesterday.

The local team opened scoring in the first half when Taylor converted a short-corner. Yvanovich broke clean through in the second half to add the second goal.

The game was extremely scrappy in parts.

The local team was—T. L. Lockhart (C.B.A.); J. B. Goncalves (Recreio); A. M. Xavier (Nemads); J. Heywood (Police); C. Gough (Police); A. M. Alves (Recreio); P. Yvanovich (Recreio); D. Taylor (C.B.A.); N. D. Whitely (C.B.A.); J. Fonseca (Recreio); A. Odell (C.B.A.).

## "Y" Billiards Meeting

At a meeting of the European Y.M.C.A. Billiards Section yesterday a plea for more inter-Club competitions during the coming summer was made. It was also decided to recommend to the Board that two of the tables be renovated.

Mr. C. Terran was in the chair and was supported by Messrs L. H. de Cosier, C. P. Champelovier, H. Goldman, E. W. Railton (Asst. Secretary of the Association), F. Willis (Services Secretary) and H. Neubronner (Billiards Secretary).

The Y.M.C.A. championship, which is open to the Army Area Sports Board, will be held before the official closure of the Winter Programme.

## To-day's Tennis

To-day's Stand Court match will be:

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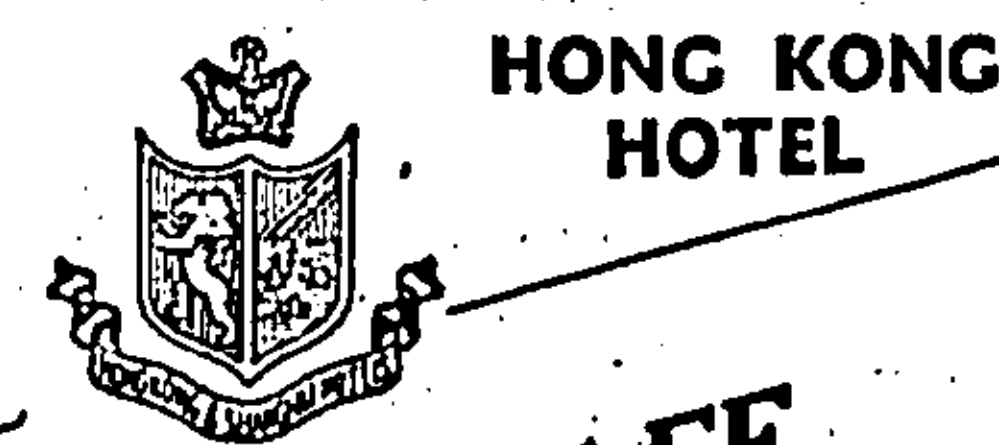


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## Liquidation of British Firms in United States

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Mr. Jesse Jones, Federal Loan Administrator, announced that a loan of \$40,000,000 would be granted to Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation "in line with the United States Government to require liquidation of British-owned American investments for the purpose of providing funds for the purchase of shipping in this country."

Brown and Williamson will apply \$15,000,000 to liquidate their domestic indebtedness and will turn over the remainder to the parent company, the British American Tobacco Company, which in turn will hand this sum to the British Government to pay for purchases of war materials.

Mr. Jones said that the net proceeds of the loan are estimated to be what the net realizable sum would be to the British owners if these investments in the United States were sold outright or if the companies were liquidated.

This is the first instance of aid by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in the liquidation of British investments.

The B.A.T. retains its ownership of all Brown & Williamson stock which is being pledged with the R.F.C. as security.

## PETAIN BRUSH WITH DARLAN Stops Removal Of Warships

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Marshal Petain, according to reports reaching Washington, recently thwarted Admiral Darlan when the latter attempted one of his anti-British programmes.

These reports, which are confirmed from two high sources, declare that Marshal Petain, having learned accidentally that Admiral Darlan had given orders for French Fleet units, including the battleship Dunkerque, to be moved from North Africa to Toulon, summoned Admiral Darlan to give an explanation.

Admiral Darlan is stated to have replied evasively and then to have launched into an anti-British tirade. Marshal Petain thereupon issued special written instructions forbidding the movement of any French warship without his prior knowledge.

## HUNGRY DOGS IN TOKYO

### Serious Menace

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOKYO, Apr. 16 (Domei).—Warning that cases of ferocious attacks upon children carrying candy and women with packages by stray dogs had increased alarmingly recently in Tokyo, the Police Department asked all citizens to co-operate in ridding the city of such canines.

Twenty cases of persons bitten by dogs were reported to the Police Board's veterinary section in a single day. With more than 10,000 stray and unlicensed canines in Tokyo, the local force of dog-catchers cannot cope with the situation adequately. Although during the last four months, 6,782 dogs were picked up by Tokyo's three groups of dog catchers, the personnel of canine chasers is inadequate to nab the agile canines.

## Oil Factory Destroyed

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The Norwegian Admiralty in London today revealed the name of the place on the Norwegian coast that was successfully raided on Saturday last. It was Oek Fjord near Hammerfest. The statement adds that the object of the raid was to destroy the fish-oil factory, the output of which was being taken by the Germans, and which was of great importance in the manufacture of explosives. All machinery of the factory was destroyed. There was no interference from German troops, aircraft or warships.

## Pacific Talks In U. S. A.

### Shipping Concern

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The British and Australian Ministers conferred at the State Department today.

The Far East is stated to have been the main subject discussed.

Mr. Neville Butler, the British Minister, who saw Mr. Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, afterwards told the press that shipping in the Pacific was among the subjects dealt with.

## Pact Imparts New War Zest To Japanese

SHANGHAI, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Japanese military and naval activities in South China have increased following the conclusion of the Soviet-Japanese neutrality pact, according to a report appearing in the local leading Chinese newspaper. The report says that the whole of the Japanese forces in South China are now being reorganised for the possible southward penetration and that more than 20 Japanese submarines have appeared in South China waters and have extended activities to the Bay of Bengal. "It is further stated that Japanese troops in Hainan, an island of the coast of Indo-China, have been impressing able-bodied Chinese workers to form a South China Sea Transport Corps."

## Hupei Mountain Warfare

FANCHENG, Apr. 16 (Central News).—Intense fighting is raging on the southern slope of the Taining mountain range in central Hupei.

A Chinese regiment regained Ching Feng Shan, a strategic hill on the morning of April 15. In the afternoon the Japanese called in more than 1,000 reinforcements and made a counter-attack with the support of bombing planes and artillery. A bloody engagement ensued.

At noon on April 14 a Japanese contingent of about 1,000 men invaded Kollenpo, Tungchiachung and Fengshuling. Fighting raged until evening fell. After a brief lull, the Chinese launched a counter-attack under cover of darkness and repulsed the enemy from several points. The contending forces are still holding out against each other near Kollenpo.

Another Japanese unit of about 1,000 men pushing toward the southeastern slope of the Taining mountain range is intercepted by the Chinese at Kuichengpang and its neighbourhood.

## Wedding In Macao

Two Popular Members Of Community

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)  
MACAO, Apr. 16.—At a colourful nuptial ceremony in the Church of Penha, Miss Maria Antonietta, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Carlos Pinto, became the bride of Dr Alberto, son of Mr Jose Jorge and late Mrs Jorge. Both families are well known and highly esteemed in the community and the married pair are extremely popular.

The bride was exquisitely gowned in white chiffon velvet and from her headpiece garlanded with orange blossoms, cascaded a lace veil. She carried a bouquet of arum lilies.

Her four bridesmaids were the Misses Alice and Leonor da Silva, Miss Natercia Lobo and Miss Leticia Mello who looked attractive in pink and blue organdie. The four little flower girls were daintily attired in dresses of delicate tulle, while Master Proença, the page boy, was clad in blue velvet. The bride's mother was becomingly dressed in wine red.

H.E. the Bishop of Macao, Dr. Jose da Costa Nunes, officiated at the marriage service and Mr Gundl was at the organ.

The wedding music was rendered by Miss Artur Borges. At the reception held in the home of the bridegroom's father after the ceremony, Dr. E. Mascarenhas, Judge of Macao, proposed the toast to the bridal pair. The guests included Dr and Mrs Gomes dos Santos, Mr and Mrs H. Nolasco, Lieut and Mrs Botelho de Souza, Mr and Mrs C. Vasconcellos, Lieut and Mrs Proença, Dr and Mrs Mascarenhas, Mr P. J. Lobo, Mr and Mrs Lo Yu-sek and many others.

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T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	48 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	104 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	102 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2
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4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25
4 m/s France	84 1/2
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.01 1/4

## BELGO-SOVIET BARTER PACT Blockade Result

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Agreement whereby Russia will supply Belgium in the next twelve months with very substantial quantities of wheat and fats has been reached in Moscow today, "Reuter" learns in London.

This agreement was presumably reached with German approval and will go far towards meeting the food shortage in Belgium, which is suffering more than any other western country.

The Russo-Belgian agreement is held in British authoritative circles as justifying the official view that the blockade must be applied to enemy occupied countries, firstly because the responsibility of feeding them is Germany's, and secondly because British firmness has evidently resulted in the Russo-Belgian agreement which deprives Germany of supplies which she would otherwise have had.

It is understood that Belgium in return will supply Russia with engineering products.

## STOCK EXCHANGE Anglo-Egyptians Fall

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange ruled very quiet with price movements narrowly irregular. Operations were inclined to make time in view of the uncertain war news.

Gilt-edged home rails tended to be easier, but industrials mostly were well maintained, and oils were steady, apart from a half-crown fall in Anglo-Egyptians to £4 2s. 6d. Foreign bonds were easier, with declines recorded in Chinese, Japanese, Brazilian and Egyptian bonds. Wall Street was very quiet.

## Magyar Jackals' Advance

BERLIN, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The progress of the Hungarian invasion of Yugo-Slavia is recorded in a High Command communiqué issued from Budapest, which states "Our troops to-day occupied the south-west portion of trans-Danubia up to the Croat frontier."

"Mopping up of the region between the Danube and Tisza rivers, and the enumeration of war prisoners and booty is proceeding."

"According to present indications, the number of prisoners total 15,000 and is increasing. The booty includes about 100 guns and other very valuable material."

### State of War

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt proclaimed today that a state of war exists between Hungary and Yugo-Slavia, and added that Hungary attacked Yugo-Slavia "without justification."

The effect of the proclamation is to place these two nations under the United States neutrality regulations.

## Queen Marie Speaks For Country

LONDON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—"Have faith in Yugo-Slavia and in my son and all will be well in the end," said Queen Marie of Yugo-Slavia to "Reuter" when interviewed today in her 13th century cottage.

The Queen declared that King Peter took the decision to fight rather than surrender without consulting her, but his decision was not unexpected to her seeing that he always placed his country's interests before everything.

The Queen, who was lying on a couch wrapped in a rug, said she was sorry that illness had prevented her from being at her son's side, and sharing his hardships while their country was fighting for its life.

She had been a little worried when for a week she heard no news from King Peter, but after Belgrade had been bombed she heard he was well and safe.

## Mackenzie King At White House

WASHINGTON, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Mackenzie King, who is expected here to-day, has been invited to tea at the White House by President Roosevelt. Over tea, it is expected that the two statesmen will hold a highly important conference bearing upon war problems.

## Donations To Bomber Fund Chinese Seamen

A total of \$1,759,427.40 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd. with the following donations:  
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All communications and contributions may be sent to the Headquarters, 34 Jordan Road, 1st floor, Yauwatt, Kowloon. All cheques and money orders should be crossed and made payable to the Christian Mission to Chinese Seamen, Hongkong. Please state whether for General, Good Samaritan or Building Funds.

## Alexandria Evacuation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ZURICH, Apr. 16 (UP).—Radio Rome announced a dispatch from Istanbul this evening saying that the civil evacuation of Alexandria has commenced and it is believed that the populace is leaving for Port Said.

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According to the "Hamburger Tageblatt" he is related to King George VI. This is how the newspaper works it out:

Our King is descended from Henry II of England; Henry II's daughter, Princess Matilda, was the second wife of William, one of the three sons of Henry the Lion, Duke of Bavaria and Saxony, and from this marriage, Hermann Goering is directly descended.

### Why Bother?

The College of Arms states that it is not bothering to investigate the claim, although there appears to be no reason why it should not be true. In any case, as the Nazis profess complete contempt for the British, it is difficult to understand how Goering can boast of what should logically be considered a "blot on his family escutcheon!"

## SERBS RESIST STRONGLY

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hostilities on the German frontier. Foreign diplomatic quarters understand that Ambassador von Papen will arrive in Berlin this week-end or early next week to report on the developments in Turkey.

### Relations Broken

SOFIA, Apr. 16 (UP).—Sofia Radio to-night broadcast an official declaration announcing that Yugo-Slavian-Bulgarian relations have been broken.

### Hungarian Report

BUDAPEST, Apr. 16 (UP).—A Hungarian army communiqué states that so far, 15,000 Yugo-Slavs have been made prisoner in the Hungarian occupied area of Yugo-Slavia.

The communiqué reads: "Our troops yesterday occupied the south-west part of trans-Danubia and Croatia to the frontier. The mopping up of Yugo-Slavian irregulars continues between the Danube and Tisza Rivers. The booty includes about 100 cannon and other very valuable material."

## Our Men March To Meet Nazi Panzers

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hard fighting. Enemy losses run into hundreds, it is stated.

There is no indication that the Nazis have increased the strength of their forward units.

### Important Developments

MOSCOW, Apr. 16 (Reuter).—Colonel Popoff, the Soviet military expert, reviewing the situation in north Africa in the newspaper, "Red Star" expects "rather important" developments in the next few days.

He cites a "considerable increase" in the activity of the R.A.F. in North Africa as an indication of coming events. "The British Command is doubtless preparing a counter-blow. Where the blow will come it is difficult to say. It may be from the Tobruk region, the Siwa Oasis or Mersa Matruh.

## LATE NEWS

## Greeks Take Up New Positions

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ATHENS, Apr. 16 (UP).—A spokesman stated to-day that the Greeks had taken up new positions thought necessary after the German penetration with mechanized forces in Macedonia.

The enemy had bombed and machine-gunned Salamis, Glyphada, Athens, the beach resort of Megara, Ithaca, Koropi, Kimi, Syros and Zante.



LAUNCHES STAMPS—Douglas Fairbanks, film star, buys first sheet of China Emancipation Relief stamps, as stamp campaign is launched in New York. Seller is Joy Homer, author, and daughter of singer Louise Homer.

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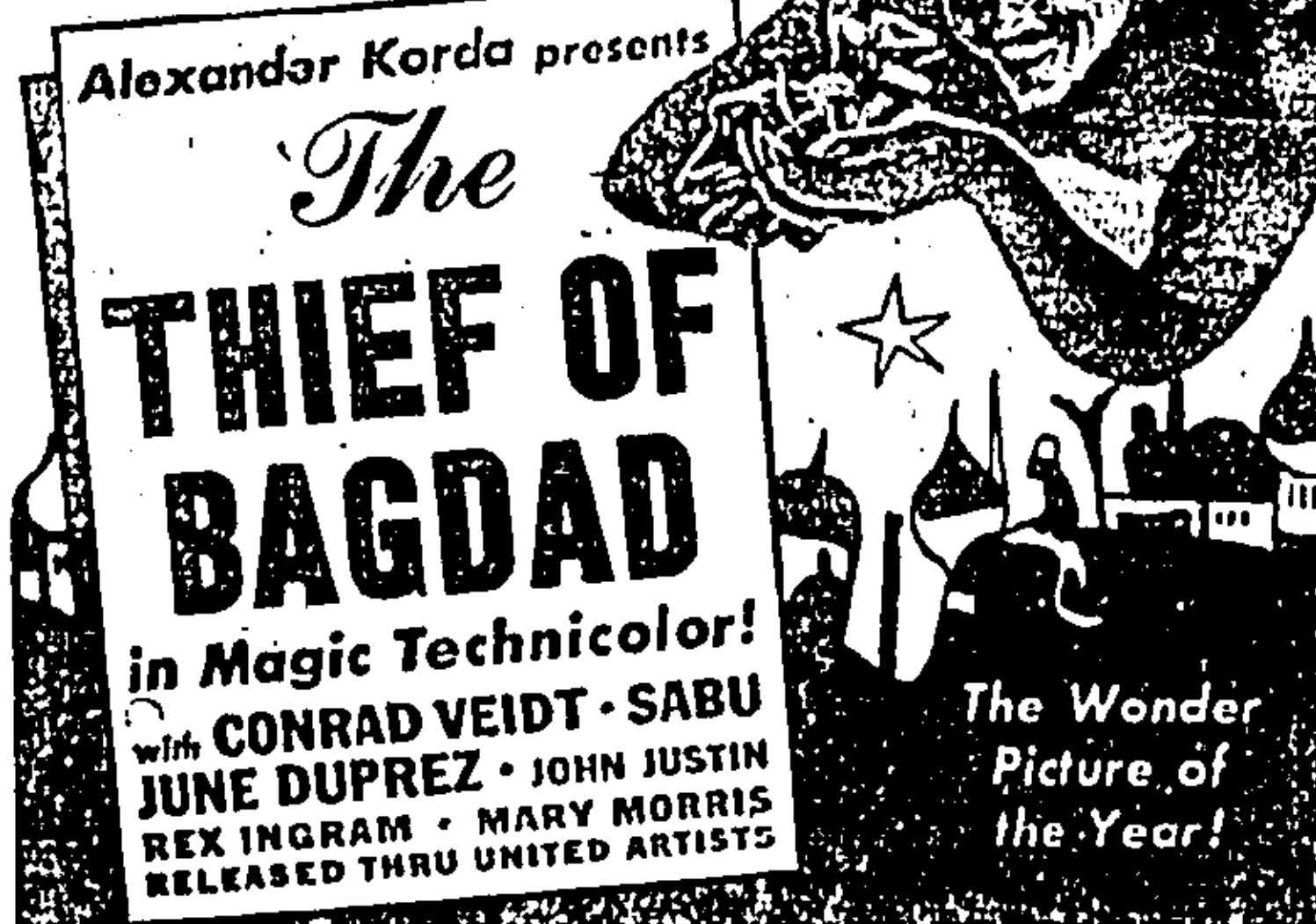
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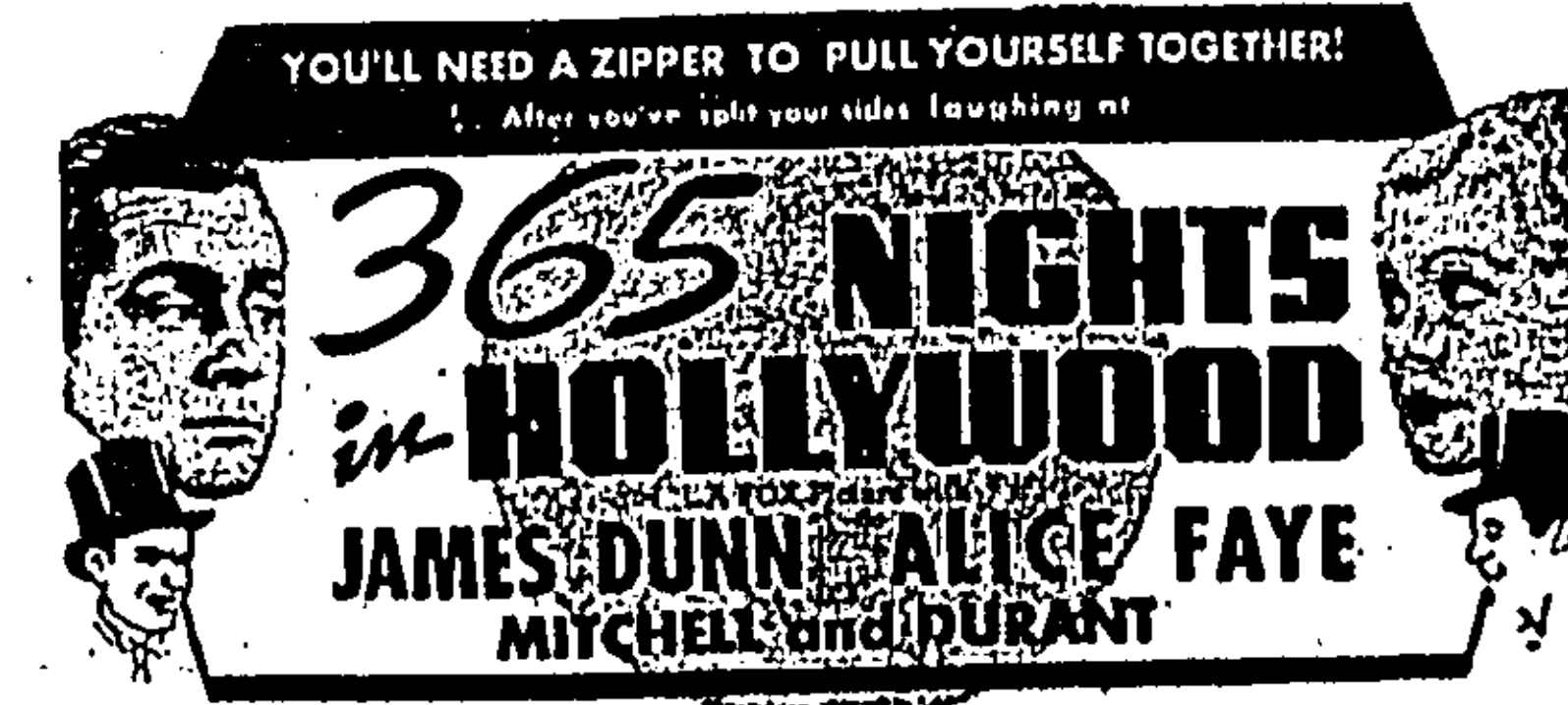


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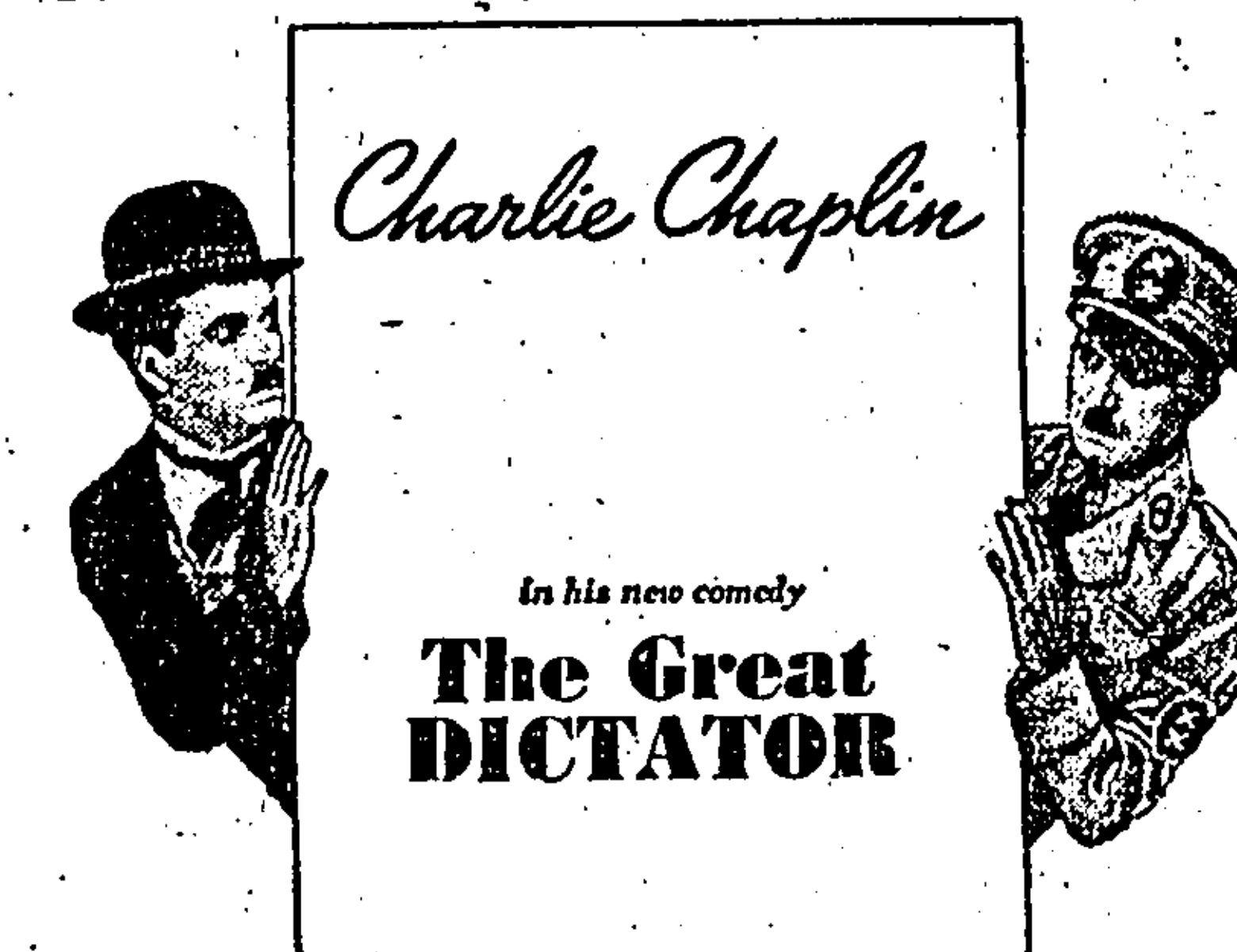
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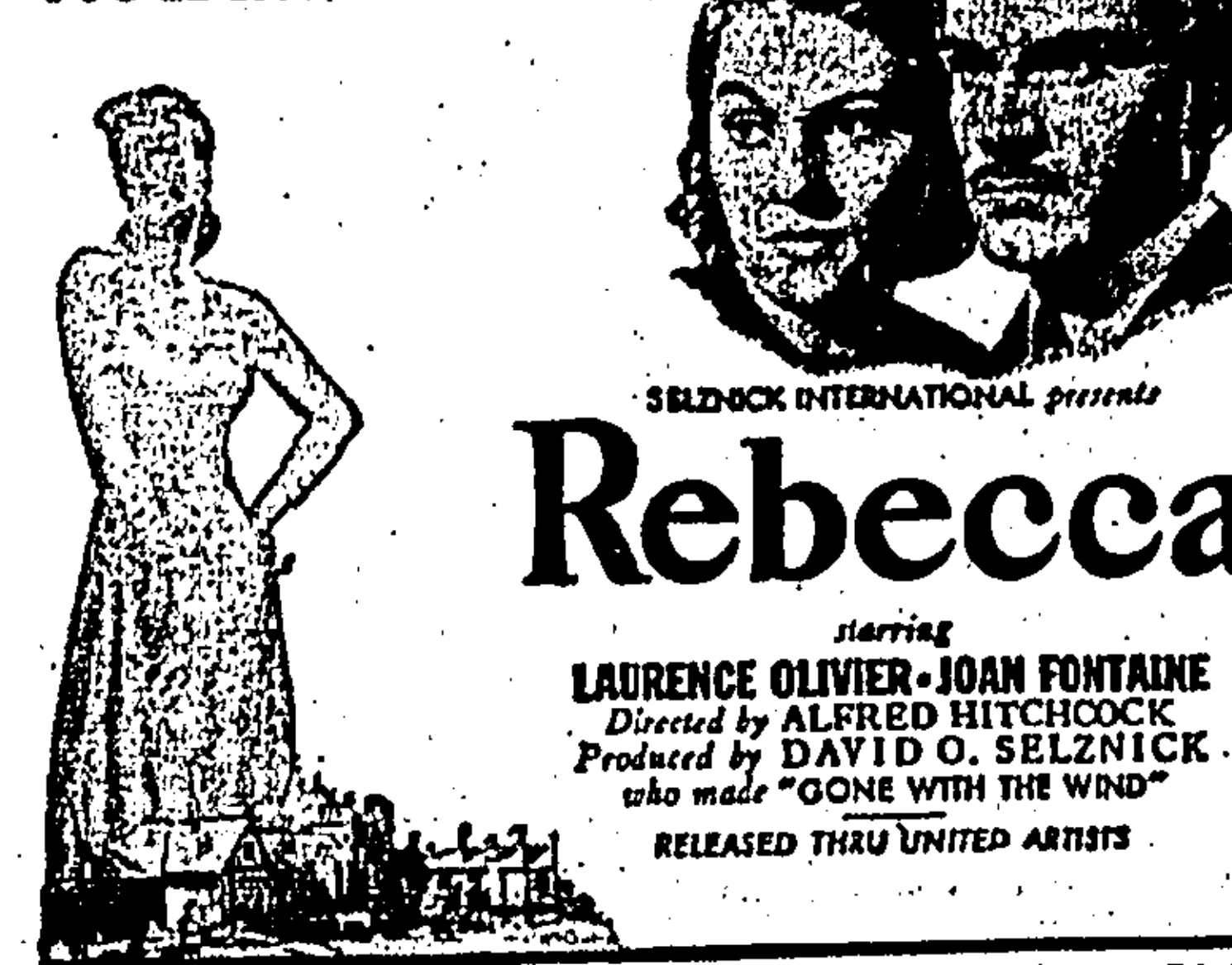


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